

ANNUAL REPORT—COMMISSIONER GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

LETTER

FROM THE

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

The annual report of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

DECEMBER 27, 1841.

Read, and laid upon the table.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *December 27, 1841.*

SIR: I have the honor, herewith, to submit the annual report from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the documents connected therewith, in relation to that branch of the public service.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. FORWARD,

Secretary of the Treasury.

Hon. J. WHITE,

Speaker House of Representatives.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, *December 24, 1841.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit, with the accompanying documents, the following report in relation to this branch of the public service.

During the year 1840 the sales of public lands amounted to 2,236,889.74 acres; the purchase money to \$2,789,637 53; and the receipts into the Treasury from the same source to \$3,292,683 29, as will appear from the table marked A.

During the first three quarters of the year 1841 the sales amounted to \$18,072.39 acres; the purchase money to \$1,024,823 43; and the receipts into the Treasury from the same source during the same period to \$1,104,063 06, as shown by the table marked B.

The monthly sales from the 1st of January to the 30th September of the present year, are shown by the table marked C.

The exhibit marked D shows the latest period to which returns have been rendered from the district land offices, and the latest cash balances in the hands of receivers.

The progress and extent of the labors performed in registering the sales of public lands in the tract books of this office, as well as in the adjustment of the quarterly accounts of receivers of public moneys, is indicated by the tabular exhibit marked E.

The exhibit marked F shows the *annual* sales of the public domain from the year 1833 to the 30th of September, 1841.

The document marked G presents a view of the sales of the Chickasaw lands in Mississippi and Alabama, pursuant to the treaties of 1832 and 1834, discriminating between the regular sales and those made for the benefit of Chickasaw orphans, from the commencement of operations under those treaties until the 30th September, 1841.

Document H presents the estimates for the surveying department for the year 1842.

Table I is a synopsis of the proclamations and re-proclamations for public sales of lands since the last annual report.

The exhibit on the following page has been prepared with a design of showing in a condensed form the quantities of public land proclaimed for sale in 1841, and the probable amount that will be available for proclamation in the year 1842, in each State and Territory.

Exhibit of the quantities of public land (being exclusive of the school sections) in each State and Territory, proclaimed and re-proclaimed for sale in the year 1841; the quantities, the plats of survey of which have been returned to the General Land Office; the quantities prepared for market not yet advertised; and the probable quantities (estimated from the reports of the Surveyors General) which will be prepared for market in all the year 1842.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Quantities proclaimed and re-proclaimed for sale in 1841.	Quantities the plats of survey of which have been returned to the General Land Office.		Quantities prepared for market, and not yet advertised for sale.	Estimated quantities the plats of which are expected to be returned to the General Land Office in all the year 1842.	
		Prior to the last annual report, and not then offered for sale.	Since the last annual report.		First 6 mos.	Last 6 mos.
	<i>Acres.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>
Ohio -	(a) 96,640.00	(a) 96,640.00	-	(a) (b)		
Indiana -	-	486,823.00	-	486,823.00		
Michigan -	1,824,555.00	1,855,732.00	1,157,071.22	(c) 1,188,248.22	291,200	1,568,000
Illinois -	352,918.43	313,693.43	1,056,948.70	(d) 1,017,723.70	1,836,800	470,400
Missouri -	-	110,268.43	1,213,261.40	(e) 1,323,529.83	2,038,400	3,050,800
Wis. Ter. -	160,046.51	-	557,862.76	(f) 397,816.25	201,600	1,299,200
Iowa Ter. -	-	694,229.00	-	(g) 694,229.00	940,800	291,200
Arkansas -	825,336.84	825,336.84	632,372.36	(h) 632,372.36	1,008,000	985,600
Louisiana -	-	535,258.21	227,376.75	(i) 762,634.96	1,164,800	930,800
Mississippi -	-	1,314,707.00	507,271.02	(k) 1,821,978.02	627,200	
Alabama -	44,061.29	1,537,907.00	57,141.76	(l) 1,550,987.47		
Florida.*						
Total -	3,303,558.07	7,770,394.91	5,409,305.97	9,876,142.81	8,108,800	8,596,000

REMARKS.

- (a) Being the United States alternate sections in the Wabash and Erie canal. The alternate sections in the Dayton canal are yet to be offered for sale.
- (b) In the late Miami cession.—No land district.
- (c) In southern peninsula.—Nearly $6\frac{1}{2}$ millions of acres offered in 1840.—No demand for new lands.
- (d) Withheld on account of lead mineral 116,941 acres.
- (e) 407,619 acres in late N. W. addition to the State.—No land district.
- (f) Situated N. W. of Green bay.
- (g) Withheld on account of lead mineral.
- (h) Proclamation prepared.—(m) No report from this office: these quantities are the new surveys ordered in October, 1841.
- (i) About two-thirds in the Dauterive and Houmas claims.
- (k) 1,349,707 acres withheld in Choctaw cession of 1830.
- (l) 1,537,909 acres in late Cherokee cession.—No land district.
- * Operations suspended on account of Indian hostilities.

Of the above quantity, of about *nine and three quarter millions* of acres prepared for market and not yet advertised for sale, it will be perceived by the explanatory notes at the bottom of the table, that a very large proportion (upwards of five millions of acres) could not be proclaimed for sale for want of further legislation in reference to the organization of new land districts, or the annexation of such bodies of lands to the adjacent districts; and also as to the mode of disposing of the lands containing lead mineral, &c. The plats of a large proportion of the new lands now available for market have been but recently received, and so soon as the facts shall be ascertained as to the most suitable periods for holding the sales, the necessary steps will be taken to bring all those lands into market which are unembarrassed by the above causes.

NEW SURVEYS.

The instructions for new surveys this year embraced only about the quantity of eighty-nine townships in Arkansas, and authorized the retracing of a portion of the old surveyed lines in the States of Mississippi and Alabama, recommended in former reports, and for which latter, appropriations were made at the 1st and 2d sessions of the 26th Congress. These, together with the surveys in progress under existing contracts, it was found would furnish the average quantity of public land annually offered for sale; provided, as it is now designed doing, active operations should be commenced early in the ensuing spring under the unexpended balances, yet available of the former appropriations, for surveying.

For particular information as to the condition of the surveys in the several districts, and the progress of the office work, together with the estimates for the service of 1842, I respectfully refer to the circular of this office, and the reports of the surveyors general, with maps made in compliance therewith, and forming document marked K; in which, it will be perceived, that due regard has been had to the reduction of the expense in their publication, by dispensing almost entirely with the coloring heretofore employed on the maps, and by condensing the tabular and other statements within the smallest possible compass.

Table marked L, compiled from the above reports, will show the number of miles of surveying under contract; their estimated cost; the miles returned; the amount paid on account thereof; and the cash balances remaining in the hands of the surveyor general for each State and Territory, except the State of Arkansas, from which no report has yet been received at this office.

The existing contracts for surveying, and the new surveys which it is contemplated to order in 1842, embrace the following described lands.

Michigan.—The survey of the exterior boundary lines of about one hundred townships on the south coast of lake Superior, extending from range 8 west, to Chocolate and Esconawba rivers, and as far south as the line between townships 42 and 43, have, it appears, just been completed; also the subdivision into sections of about thirteen townships on and near Little Traverse bay, which, with the completion of some other contracts in the southern peninsula, comprise the surveying operations of the past year in this district. The estimates for the service of 1842 are for the survey of all the exterior township lines, which are included between the above-mentioned township boundaries and Green bay; for the survey for market of the section lines of a few select townships on that bay, and of the whole or

a portion of the lands heretofore surveyed into townships in the northern peninsula, lying east of range 9 west; the whole estimated at about seventy townships.

Wisconsin Territory.—The unfinished contracts in this Territory are for the subdivision lines of a few townships on the north bank of the Wisconsin river. The surveys recommended for 1842 embrace the subdivision for market of thirty townships in the late Winnebago cession, situated in the forks of the Mississippi and Wisconsin rivers, and of about twenty-five townships in the Menomonie cession, and the former Indian reservation of 500,000 acres north of Fox river; together with certain township exteriors on the Mississippi river, extending from the existing surveys to the falls of St. Anthony, and for the subdivision of a few of those townships at intermediate points, or near the mouths of Chippewa and St. Croix rivers.

Iowa Territory.—The subdivision of about fifty-five townships in the Sac and Fox cession of 1837, and the west part of the cession of 1832 made by the same tribes, are embraced by the existing contracts; nearly the whole of which surveys have, it appears, been returned to the surveyor general's office, and the returns of the plats to this office may therefore be soon expected, which will complete, as far as practicable, the surveys of all the lands in Iowa to which the Indian title has been extinguished.

I would respectfully invite your attention to the subject of the compensation at present allowed by law to the surveyor general of Iowa and Wisconsin, which happens to be less by five hundred dollars per annum than the allowance to each of the other officers of a similar grade, while the duties of that surveyor's department exceed at this time those of any other, and the responsibilities are greater. I fully concur with the surveyor general in his statement on this subject, contained in his report hereto appended, and, in the accompanying estimates of the expenses of the surveying department, have included the proposed increase.

Illinois.—The present contracts are for about seventy townships situated in the north part of the State, the returns of the plats of which may be shortly expected. The quantity of about forty-five townships in the north part of the State, with a few adjoining the Indiana line, all marked Z on the map which accompanies the surveyor general's annual report, also some detached tracts on the navigable rivers in the Quincy district, will comprise the new surveys for the ensuing year.

Missouri.—The unfinished contracts in this State include about ninety townships selected for subdivision throughout the State. The 94 townships marked Z, and thus \pm , on the surveyor general's map, together with the exterior township lines of all the unsurveyed lands in the southwestern angle of the State, fifty of which to be selected and subdivided for market, making in the aggregate about one hundred and forty-four townships, are the surveys recommended for 1842.

Arkansas.—No report or answer to the circular has been received from the surveyor general. A duplicate of the circular was therefore transmitted to him last month, and his report, when received, will be communicated, although this office has been enabled to fill the blank thus occasioned in the surveying estimates from other sources. The eighty-nine townships ordered for survey in October last, on the recommendation of the surveyor general, based on memorials addressed to him by the citizens in various sections of the State, together with the completion of the existing contracts, will comprise the new surveys in this district.

Louisiana.—The unfinished contracts cover about fifty-two townships in various parts of the State, situated principally, however, along the gulf shores, and in the vicinity of the De Bastrop claim. The contemplated new surveys in 1842 will include lands situated south of Lakes Maurepas and Pontchartrain, south and east of Lake Borgne, and some situated on each of the Lakes Des Allemands, Salvador, and Barataria, and on the Gulf of Mexico.

Mississippi.—About twenty-six townships in the northwestern part of the State in the Choctaw cession of 1830, and a large portion of the surveys to be retraced under the special appropriations heretofore made for the purpose, comprise the surveying contracts in this district. The operations of 1842 will be confined to the completion of these contracts and the retracing the old surveys.

Alabama.—The existing contracts are for the completion of the public surveys south of the thirty-first degree of latitude, and in connexion therewith of the private claims, which it appears are now nearly completed. In October last, the surveyor general was authorized to contract for retracing the old surveyed lines, under the special appropriation of \$15,000, made at the last regular session of Congress, which, together with such amount of similar work as may be ordered when the general appropriation bill shall have been acted upon, will comprise the principal surveying operations in this State for the ensuing year.

Florida Territory.—The surveying operations in this district, with the exception of the survey of Forbes's claim, and completing a few detached surveys, including the town of St. Mark's, now in progress, have been necessarily suspended on account of the Indian disturbances in that quarter. When operations can be safely resumed, it is designed to extend some of the lines of the public surveys south through the entire peninsula, and authorize the subdivision of some townships at each of the most prominent points for settlement on the gulf and sea shores.

IN RELATION TO THE EXAMINATION OF LAND OFFICES AND OFFICES OF THE SURVEYORS GENERAL.

Shortly after entering upon the duties of his office, it was determined by the late Secretary of the Treasury to cause an examination to be made of the several land offices, and also of the offices of the surveyors general, which latter have never been the subject of a minute and particular investigation since the origin of the land system: much difformity in the details of office duties and arrangements was believed to exist in these offices, which it is important to correct, and which could only be understood and remedied through the medium of an investigation and comparison of the whole, conducted by a single individual.

The subject of protecting against the casualty of fire the all-important archives of the surveying department, (to which the attention of the agent was particularly directed,) in the absence of provision by law for fire-proof buildings, is one of great public interest, requiring of the Executive the adoption of all proper means within its competency to ensure their safety from a calamity to which they were so peculiarly liable in some exposed situations.

Among a variety of other matters requiring the attention of an examining agent, is the subject of re-establishing old corners in the surveys obliterated by time or from other causes, with a view to adopting the best plan.

to ensure fidelity on the part of the deputy surveyors in their field operations, particularly as regards the proper marking of the section and quarter section corners; and it is hoped that such information in reference to this important and delicate subject, (which could not be arrived at without careful examinations on the spot, and consultation with the several surveyors in general) will be elicited, as will obviate the present difficulties, or enable this office to recommend such remedy as may be found necessary for the action of Congress.

An individual, peculiarly fitted for this task by his experience and well-known discretion and integrity, has been appointed to conduct the investigation of the whole surveying department, with a view to effect the objects herein alluded to, and of inquiring into the facts and circumstances relating to a variety of most important special matters of business connected with those offices, of long standing and of great embarrassment, where satisfactory results could not be attained by the tedious and uncertain process of correspondence.

The labors of this agent are yet in progress, and, so far as reported, have fully realized the expectations of this office, and it is believed that, when terminated, they will result in advantages that cannot fail to be appreciated by the country.

OBSERVATIONS IN RELATION TO SUSPENDED PRE-EMPTION CLAIMS.

I would beg leave to call attention to the fact, that many cases of claims to the pre-emption privilege have been suspended by this office, for the following reasons:

In cases where two persons claiming the benefits of the pre-emption law of June 19th, 1834, were situate on a fractional quarter section, or lot containing less than one hundred and sixty acres, and the privilege enjoyed by each of locating "*eighty acres*" of land elsewhere has been so construed by the register and receiver as to induce them to allow not "*eighty acres*" each, or one hundred and sixty acres jointly, but so much as, when added to the contents of the original tract cultivated and in the possession of the pre-emptors, (as shown by the testimony,) will amount to *three hundred and twenty acres*.

These floating rights, as they are called, thus located, have been sold in most instances, and are now in the hands of innocent purchasers.

This office cannot approve such cases, inasmuch as they are for quantities exceeding the amount authorized by law; but for the reason above stated, added to the fact that the Government has realized the purchase money for the land thus entered by pre-emption and floats, it is deemed proper to recommend to Congress the confirmation of such entries, where a correction of the same, under the directions of this office, has not already been effected, by restricting the assignee of the pre-emptor to the precise quantity allowed by law, by legal subdivisions, when such course was found practicable.

A large number of cases of claims to pre-emption have been suspended in consequence of the proof being made before the *clerk* of the register, acting with the receiver, in the unavoidable absence of the former. The law requiring that the proof be satisfactory to the *register and receiver*, this judicial duty could not be delegated by either officer to his clerk, or any other person; and such claims not having received the joint sanction of

the two officers empowered by law to decide on their validity, the entries are at present void. Such cases, however, have not been as yet absolutely rejected by this office, inasmuch as the proof is such as would entitle the parties, in most instances, to the land entered, and Congress, by confirming such as the commissioner, from satisfactory proof, may deem to be valid, would confer on the claimants a title which, under present circumstances, they cannot obtain.

Numerous other entries by pre-emption have been suspended by this office for defect of proof, error in location, and other causes, which prevent the issuing of patents. These produce much embarrassment to this office, and add much to its labors in the correspondence to which they give rise. The original claimants are either dead or have left the country and gone to Texas, or to parts unknown, so that the present holders of the certificates of purchase cannot obtain the additional evidence deemed necessary. Such claims of this description as are believed to be valid, might, with the other classes of suspended claims here alluded to, be embraced by one general remedial law.

Such proceeding would greatly tend to relieve this office of its existing embarrassments respecting them, and the present holders of the equitable interests would be placed in a situation to obtain their titles, which it is not likely would ever otherwise be effected.

In view, therefore, of the foregoing state of facts, I take leave respectfully to submit for consideration the following, as the provisions of law which might be prescribed for the confirmation of the sales of the description referred to :

“That in all cases where any entry has been made under the pre-emption laws, of land which was *public land*, subject to sale at the date of such entry, and where the same is now suspended at the General Land Office, because of the original tract claimed, or the float arising therefrom exceeding the quantity specified in the law ; or where the adjudication has been made by the receiver and the *clerk* of the register, acting in the stead of the register ; or where the proof upon which the claim is founded is not in the form, nor full as to all the facts required by law, such entries and sales are hereby confirmed, and patents shall be issued thereon, as in other cases : *Provided*, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be satisfied that such entry has been in other respects fair and regular, that it is not contested by other persons claiming the tract or tracts so entered, and that no fraud shall appear or be alleged to exist : *And provided, further*, That the case shall not already have been settled by the adjudication of the General Land Office, and the adoption, by the pre-emptor or his assignee, of the measures pointed out by that office for the correction of the evil.”

REMARKS IN RELATION TO MINERAL LANDS.

The restriction imposed by law on the sale of lead lands has been a matter of much public interest, and one which appears to call for speedy consideration.

The general provisions of existing laws require that the public lands on which *lead mines* are found shall be reserved from sale, and authorize the President to cause the same to be leased for a term of years.

All the information before the Executive in relation to the extent of the mineral region of the West was communicated to the House of Represent-

tatives, pursuant to its resolution bearing date February 8, 1823, and constitutes printed document No. 128, of the 1st session 18th Congress.

Many years subsequent to the collation of the information furnished by that report, Congress enacted the law of March 3, 1829, "to authorize the President of the United to cause the reserved lead mines in the State of Missouri to be exposed to public sale, and for other purposes," and requiring "that six months' notice, at least, of the times and places of the said sales shall be given in such newspapers of general circulation, in such of the States as the President may think expedient, with a brief description of the mineral region in Missouri, and of the lands to be offered for sale, showing the number and the localities of the different mines now known—the probability of discovering others—the quality of the ore—the facilities for working it—the further facilities, if any, for manufactories of shot, sheet lead, and paints, and the means and expense of transporting the whole to the principal markets in the United States."

Pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the President issued, in March, 1830, his proclamation for the sales of the reserved lead mines, under the prescribed formalities, and it is a remarkable fact that the public sale did not attract the attention of capitalists, and that the entries since at private sale have been very few.

On the 6th of February, 1839, the House of Representatives passed a resolution, as follows:

"Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be prepared and presented to the next Congress, at an early day, a plan for the disposal of the public mineral lands, having reference as well to the amount of revenue to be derived from them, and their value as public property, as to the equitable claims of individuals upon them; and that at the same time he communicate to Congress all the information in the possession of the Treasury Department relative to their location, value, productiveness, and occupancy; and that he cause such further information to be collected, and surveys to be made, as may be necessary for these purposes."

The result of the mineral exploration by Dr. David Dale Owen, in the Territories of *Iowa* and *Wisconsin*, made by order of the Executive, under the aforesaid resolution, was communicated, with the President's message of the 4th of June, 1840, to the House of Representatives, and now constitutes printed Document No. 239, of the 1st session 26th Congress.

The numerous interesting maps, diagrams, and useful illustrations, which accompanied that report, do not appear to have been published, on account, it is believed, of the apprehended cost of such publication; an omission which is to be regretted, and which it is hoped may yet be supplied.

The signal energy which Dr. Owen exhibited in prosecuting his examinations is only equalled by the ability with which he executed the duty assigned him. Any one who will examine his report must be struck with the testimony it furnishes of the vast mineral wealth, hitherto unexplored, contained in the limits of the public domain. The report, however, as printed without the maps, illustrations, diagrams, &c., loses half its interest, and much of its value. These maps and illustrations indicate the peculiar character of the whole country explored, not only for *mining*, but *agricultural* purposes, and, if printed, would constitute, (with proper annotations) a complete description of each tract of land throughout the whole mineral region; an object of the first importance in *any* plan which may be adopted

for their disposition, and which could scarcely be attained in any other way. I have recently received from Dr. Owen, a communication enclosing various emendations and corrections of the original report, (with three additional diagrams,) which will much reduce the length of the report, render it more perfect, and, I doubt not, add to its general interest. So eager was the public to obtain the information contained in the report, that, of the few copies printed by order of the House, it is now impossible to obtain an extra copy for business purposes, there being but a single copy in this Department. It is believed that the printing of the report, with the maps, illustrations, &c. will cost by no means as much as was by some anticipated, and it is respectfully submitted to the consideration of Congress, whether the expense of the work will bear any comparison to the benefits which would result to the country by its publication, whether regarded as a contribution to the cause of science, or an auxiliary to the Government, in the proper disposition of that vast mineral region, which has heretofore been the least productive portion of the national domain. I therefore earnestly recommend the reprinting of the report, as corrected, with the maps, illustrations, &c., under the direction of this office, and that 500 extra copies be furnished for the use of this Department. The resolution referred to required the submission of a plan for the disposal of the public mineral lands, which has not yet been done. The fact of all restrictions in regard to that description of lands in *one* State having been removed, will, it is apprehended, present no small, if not an insuperable obstacle to the adoption of any new plan of universal application for the disposal of this property.

Inasmuch as no restriction of law is imposed, to the disposal, as in the case of ordinary lands, of the vast bodies of land on which *copper*, *zinc*, and *iron* ores exist, amidst the extensive regions wherein the lead abounds, (and recent newspaper accounts allude to the existence of newly discovered mines of *tin*, to great extent, in *Iowa*, to the sales of which no legal impediment exists,) it is not perceived why, where lead is found so extensively to abound, an exclusive restriction should be made to operate on that kind of mineral; and it is respectfully submitted to your consideration, and that of the National Legislature, whether it is not the proper policy of this Government to throw all the mineral lands into market, in a mode similar to that prescribed by the law of 1829, for those in *Missouri*, probably at an increased minimum, thereby inviting the attention and exciting the competition of capitalists generally, throughout the United States. To this course, as the sound public policy, attention is earnestly invited in view of the following facts:

First. That the Government has actually realized little or nothing, in all its efforts under the restrictive policy, in regard to these lands.

Second. That it is impossible, without actual and frequently very tedious and expensive experiments, to ascertain to what *extent* the veins of lead exist, and that valuable mines have been found in lands after they have been sold, when their existence had not been suspected prior to the actual experiments, prosecuted by the aid of labor and capital.

Third. The throwing these lands into market (with the information in regard to their character and value, now in the power of the Government to furnish) will, in all probability, invite a wholesome competition among purchasers at their sale; it will at any rate secure the investment of individual capital and enterprise in the great object of developing and rendering productive a portion of the public domain hitherto valueless to the

Government, thereby adding greatly to the aggregate wealth and resources of the country.

In the event of the favorable consideration by Congress of the foregoing suggestion of policy for the determination of the vexed questions which for so many years have attended the subject of the mineral lands of the United States, so far as *lead* ore is concerned, I cannot fail to invite special attention to the interests of that hardy and enterprising class of our fellow-citizens, the *miners* in Iowa and Wisconsin, or elsewhere, whose enterprise, perseverance, and capital, have to so great an extent developed this important item of national resource. This class of citizens, it is understood, have entered upon the enterprise of mining, not in the character of unauthorized settlers, but under *permits* from the General Government, and have operated on limited portions of the public domain, not exceeding two hundred yards square. Hence, many of them in certain locations are, it is believed, occupying together the entire surface of a *quarter section* of land, and, in the enactment of any general provisions in relation to the lead lands, it is with great deference submitted, whether the provisions of such legislation ought not in equity to have special reference to the interests of the individuals found thus lawfully engaged in such mining operations.

Whatever may be the decision of Congress in regard to the disposition of these lands, as connected with this subject, I feel impelled further to suggest the importance of providing for the appointment of a national geologist; whose duty it shall be, under the direction of Congress and the Executive, to make such examinations of the public domain in the Northwest and elsewhere, in connexion with the public surveys, as may be deemed necessary; and to furnish to this Department all such detailed information as is best calculated to aid the Government in its management and sale. When it is considered that the services of a competent agent can probably be secured at a compensation not exceeding the Government price of two or three sections of land, annually, and when the advantages which would result to the country from such services are also taken into the account, it is deemed superfluous to do more than present the subject to the consideration of the National Legislature.

POLISH EXILES.

By an act of Congress, approved 30th June, 1834, there was granted to two hundred and thirty-five *exiles from Poland*, sent to the United States under the order of the Emperor of Austria, thirty-six sections of land, to be selected by them, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, in any three adjacent townships of the public lands, which had been or might thereafter be surveyed, situated within the limits of the State of Illinois or the then Territory of Michigan. This law has never been executed, and, with the lapse of each year its execution has been found more and more impracticable. The principal difficulty seems to have grown out of the fact, that the amount of land granted to each individual does not conform to the amount included in any legal subdivision established by our public surveys. There have been other difficulties, however, in the location of these lands, such as conflicts with the claims of other settlers, &c.; difficulties greatly aggravated by the fact that they (the Poles) are generally ignorant of our language, and it is almost impossible to make them comprehend the true nature of these obstacles. Many of them are now dead; some

have obtained temporary employment ; others have left the country ; and most of them are poor. I deem it my duty to ask the attention of Congress to the subject ; and if it is the design of the Government to carry out its first benevolent intentions towards the remnant of this exiled race, I respectfully suggest that it could be best accomplished by authorizing the issuing of scrip to each individual entitled by the original grant, with the right to locate it upon any of the public lands subject to private entry, with such restrictive provisions, in regard to the transfer of the scrip and the sale of the land, as are deemed proper. This course, it is believed, will be the best for the Government and the best for the exile. It will, by settling them among our own people, encourage them to acquire a knowledge of our language, habits, and institutions, and destroy that spirit of nationality which would result from a sort of colonial state ; a spirit which has already invited resistance from the people in the neighborhood where they attempted to form their settlement.

LIVE OAK LANDS.

An elaborate compilation has nearly been completed at this office, of all the official documents, maps, &c., relating to the lands on which live oak, adapted for naval uses, is found to abound, in the States of Louisiana, Alabama, and Territory of Florida, and out of which selections have from time to time been directed by the Executive to be made of various bodies of land to be reserved from sale for naval purposes. This compilation, designed for the use of the Navy Department, will, it is hoped, be of much practical usefulness in all after time, in reference to the subject of such live oak reservations.

THE SIX TOWNS IN IOWA AND WISCONSIN.

In pursuance of the act of Congress of the 2d July, 1836, for laying off the towns of Fort Madison, Burlington, &c., and the act to amend the same, approved on the 3d March, 1837, three commissioners were appointed by the President to lay off the towns in question, to classify the lots, and to examine and adjudicate the pre-emption claims therein. It is not my present purpose to enter into a detailed statement of the difficulties and embarrassments experienced in carrying into effect these acts, occasioned by the course pursued by the commissioners, and which has been the subject of complaint in the proceedings of various town meetings transmitted to this office, and in sundry memorials from the citizens and the constituted authorities of several of the towns, appealing to the Department for protection and relief. But it is deemed proper to state, that the commissioners reported in October last that they had, in the month of June preceding, completed the adjudications of claims in Belleview and Peru, and finished all the business intrusted to their care ; that instructions, bearing date the 21st February, 1840, were communicated to the land officers in whose districts the several towns are situated, to enable them, at an early period, to offer the town lots for sale, as directed by law, since which it appears the lots in several of the towns, not claimed by pre-emption, and a large portion of those which had been claimed, but were relinquished in order to be included in the public sale, were offered for sale, and the returns thereof having been made to this office, await its further action ; and that in Sep-

tember last instructions were transmitted to the registers and receivers at Mineral Point, Dubuque, and Burlington, accompanied by the accounts of the commissioners, with copies of the correspondence relating thereto, and to certain alleged over-charges, so as to enable them, as directed, to scrutinize each item of the accounts before paying them; also, requiring them to pay over to the trustees of the respective towns the proceeds of sales of town lots, as directed by the third section of the act of 3d March, 1837, after deducting and retaining in their hands a sufficient amount to cover the whole expenses incurred.

VIRGINIA MILITARY RESERVATION BETWEEN THE LITTLE MIAMI AND SCIOTA
RIVERS, IN THE STATE OF OHIO.

By an act of Congress, passed on the 2d March, 1807, the Secretary of the Treasury was authorized to obtain copies of all the records of locations and surveys which have been or *may be made* within the limits of the above-named district of country. Such transcripts are essential in the management by this office of the business connected with the Virginia military lands, in a manner satisfactory to the public, and much inconvenience continually results to parties interested, by reason of the Department not having procured, under the provisions of the aforesaid act, copies of such locations and surveys to a period later than the year 1813.

It is estimated that the cost of procuring such additional transcripts will be about three thousand dollars, for which it is desirable that the necessary appropriation should be placed at the disposal of the department. The fact that the originals are necessary *there* (in Ohio) renders it impossible to remove them here to be copied.

GENERAL DUTIES.

It is important to advert to the fact, (which, with a very limited experience, I feel satisfied will be appreciated by those longer acquainted with the peculiar nature of the duties devolving on this office,) that the amount of the sales of lands, and the number of patents periodically prepared, furnish no adequate and just criteria by which to estimate the extent and importance of the complicated labors performed by this department.

The multifarious requisitions on the various branches of correspondence momentarily demanding the exercise of patient investigation; the solution of intricate judicial questions of continual recurrence, especially in reference to private land claims, demanding diligent and extensive research into the principles laid down by the courts of the country, and the common law in analogous cases, and which, as the grounds of ministerial action, are, of course, preliminary to the mere mechanical operation of issuing the patents, are found to be rather on the increase than otherwise.

The incessant requisitions from all sections of the country, which greatly swell the miscellaneous correspondence of the office, have reference, to very great extent, to *past action*, and hence, from their very nature, must bear proportion to the *aggregate* of the past operations, and may therefore be expected to increase with time.

Although not desirous of amplifying these remarks by any exhibition of the details of duties performed, I would, nevertheless, beg leave to assure you that the labors connected with the bureaus of "public lands," "sur-

veys and private land claims," have probably never been more onerous than during the year about to terminate; and the same observation will, with equal truth, apply to the correspondence connected with the execution of the *pre-emption laws*; nor has any diminution been discovered in the requisitions relating to the subject of *revolutionary army lands*. The number of patents signed by the present recorder of this office since March last, is above sixty thousand.

The attention of the office has recently been directed to a proper arrangement of the important files of papers connected with land titles, and the providing of bookcases of suitable construction for the more convenient disposition and protection of its numerous records; arrangements which are esteemed of the greatest necessity for the preservation of the entire archives in relation to public lands, which have accumulated since the commencement of the system. These proceedings are yet in progress, and will, it is hoped, be consummated during the ensuing spring.

I take leave, in conclusion, to say that the subject of a reduction of the clerical force of the office, and a consequent retrenchment of its expenses, has for some time past engaged attention.

My short experience in regard to the very multifarious subjects and extended details of the duties required of this institution causes me to speak with diffidence as yet respecting the time when the work of reduction can, with a strict regard to the public interest, be entered upon.

Many works of much magnitude, and which possibly to some may appear of doubtful necessity, remain yet to be performed, which, if engaged in, would considerably postpone the period for commencing any considerable reduction. Respecting these subjects of labor it would be very desirable to receive your advice before I should be willing, on my own determination, to engage in them as matters of indispensable necessity.

With respectful consideration, I am, sir, your obedient servant,

E. M. HUNTINGTON,

Commissioner.

Hon. WALTER FORWARD,

Secretary of the Treasury.

A.

Statement of public lands sold, of cash, Treasurer's receipts, Treasury notes, and scrip, received therefor, of incidental expenses thereon, and of payments into the Treasury on account thereof, in the year 1840.

Land offices.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous entries.		Amount received in cash, Treasurer's receipts, and Treasury notes.			Amount received in forfeited land stock and military scrip.		Amount of incidental expenses.	Amount paid into the Treasury during the year.
	Acres.	Purchase money.	Cash.	Treasurer's receipts.	Treasury notes.	Forfeited land stock.	Military land scrip.		
OHIO.									
Marietta -	3,700.16	\$4,625 20	\$4,525 20	-	-	-	\$100 00	\$962 91	\$9,969 74
Zanesville -	1,073.08	1,341 35	1,140 86	-	\$200 49	-	-	874 60	857 86
Steubenville -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	746 04	-
Chillicothe -	10,630.71	13,288 44	13,001 44	-	-	\$162 00	125 00	1,961 05	10,555 47
Cincinnati -	2,575.92	3,223 06	1,273 06	\$700 00	-	-	1,250 00	1,074 97	913 33
Wooster -	40.00	50 00	50 00	-	-	-	-	717 27	50 00
Lima -	12,335.48	15,419 32	14,980 82	-	-	113 50	325 00	1,666 46	22,655 49
Bucyrus -	2,704.08	3,380 10	3,380 10	-	-	-	-	1,200 40	2,782 29
Total for the State -	33,059.43	41,327 47	38,351 48	700 00	200 49	275 50	1,800 00	9,203 70	47,784 18
INDIANA.									
Jeffersonville -	18,432.43	28,040 55	22,335 03	-	-	162 60	542 92	1,710 04	22,241 96
Vincennes -	52,564.49	65,705 42	64,719 86	-	306 52	479 04	200 00	2,962 23	36,980 89
Indianapolis -	4,592.45	5,740 57	5,740 57	-	-	-	-	1,302 51	8,377 36
Crawfordsville -	6,286.99	7,918 42	7,918 42	-	-	-	-	1,515 03	21,282 36
Fort Wayne -	17,001.08	21,251 38	21,126 38	-	-	-	125 00	1,435 87	8,168 09
Winnamac -	19,991.09	24,988 86	24,088 86	-	-	-	-	1,964 64	30,889 17
Total for the State -	118,868.53	148,645 20	146,829 12	-	306 52	641 64	867 92	10,890 32	127,939 83

STATEMENT A—Continued.

Land offices.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous entries.		Amount received in cash, Treasurer's receipts, and Treasury notes.			Amount received in forfeited land stock and military scrip.		Amount of incidental expenses.	Amount paid into the Treasury during the year.
	Acres.	Purchase money.	Cash.	Treasurer's receipts.	Treasury notes.	Forfeited land stock.	Military land scrip.		
ILLINOIS.									
Shawneetown -	34,722.00	\$43,414 46	\$41,684 92	-	\$1,328 67	\$100 87	\$300 00	\$2,478 91	\$54,472 10
Kaskaskia -	42,769.55	53,461 66	52,874 52	-	312 14	-	275 00	3,125 95	62,109 58
Edwardsville -	14,407.31	18,009 07	17,821 57	-	-	-	187 50	1,419 33	10,791 62
Vandalia -	46,914.94	58,643 68	58,161 68	-	-	32 00	450 00	3,398 91	53,010 30
Palestine -	50,891.15	63,613 95	63,263 95	-	50 00	-	300 00	3,289 45	74,673 79
Springfield -	7,209.16	9,011 74	7,656 74	-	-	80 00	1,275 00	1,472 49	7,140 00
Danville -	1,583.29	1,979 11	1,979 11	-	-	-	-	398 58	5,175 60
Quincy -	14,007.49	17,784 36	17,131 86	-	52 50	-	600 00	1,606 25	24,540 00
Galena or Dixon -	34,866.63	43,584 '49	33,607 23	\$1,600 00	6,122 26	680 00	1,375 00	2,452 11	57,573 14
Chicago -	141,703.93	177,144 81	167,029 99	800 00	8,502 27	-	812 55	6,999 46	*348,265 69
Total for the State -	389,275.45	486,647 33	461,211 57	2,600 00	16,367 84	892 87	5,575 05	26,041 44	697,751 90
MISSOURI.									
St. Louis -	34,759.38	43,449 31	43,349 31	-	-	-	100 00	2,940 46	46,241 11
Fayette -	130,232.96	163,505 03	162,890 28	-	-	14 75	600 00	6,144 98	163,341 72
Palmyra -	78,180.09	97,725 70	94,800 70	-	-	-	2,925 00	3,285 39	90,305 84
Jackson -	32,339.54	40,424 34	40,424 34	-	-	-	-	2,204 32	42,669 94
Lexington -	158,977.77	199,521 16	199,221 16	-	-	-	300 00	6,634 77	177,936 23
Springfield -	138,008.60	171,584 60	171,372 10	-	-	-	212 50	7,912 10	197,595 35
Total for the State -	572,498.34	716,210 14	712,057 89	-	-	14 75	4,137 50	29,121 93	718,290 19

* This amount includes \$100,528 29 for sales made by order of the War Department.

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ALABAMA.										
St. Stephen's	-	3,713.62	4,642 00	4,523 50	-	-	118 50	-	1,133 74	6,612 66
Cahaba	-	15,906.60	19,885 49	19,885 49	-	-	-	-	1,543 97	30,550 01
Huntsville	-	2,610.69	3,263 42	2,989 22	-	-	274 20	-	1,083 25	4,976 17
Tuscaloosa	-	2,347.95	2,934 94	2,934 94	-	-	-	-	5,151 93	4,378 54
Sparta	-	13,637.50	17,046 91	17,046 91	-	-	-	-	1,585 25	15,687 49
Demopolis	-	1,203.80	1,504 72	1,504 72	-	-	-	-	1,201 28	3,371 29
Montgomery	-	11,326.53	14,195 77	14,195 77	-	-	-	-	1,210 67	10,920 63
Mardisville	-	6,037.84	7,547 34	6,847 34	-	-	-	700 00	1,069 27	3,164 71
Total for the State	-	56,784.58	71,020 59	69,927 89	-	-	392 70	700 00	13,979 36	79,661 50
MISSISSIPPI.										
Washington	-	2,606.36	3,257 98	3,257 98	-	-	-	-	1,127 64	1,398 24
Augusta	-	4,836.84	6,046 08	6,046 08	-	-	-	-	1,174 32	5,335 03
Jackson	-	816.75	1,020 96	1,020 96	-	-	-	-	1,295 87	13,540 85
Grenada	-	4,538.41	5,673 03	5,673 03	-	-	-	-	1,115 36	3,381 77
Columbus	-	6,376.46	7,970 91	7,970 91	-	-	-	-	1,553 10	5,832 18
Total for the State	-	19,174.82	23,968 96	23,963 96	-	-	-	-	6,266 29	29,488 07
LOUISIANA.										
New Orleans	-	18,963.56	23,705 70	22,205 70	-	-	-	1,500 00	1,862 59	22,454 82
Opelousas	-	10,495.22	13,119 51	9,931 00	-	3,188 50	-	-	2,156 81	36,259 20
Ouachita	-	99,590.96	112,531 78	82,891 06	-	29,440 72	-	200 00	5,863 05	285,960 74
Greensburg*	-				-					
Natchitoches	-	60,178.77	79,527 02	77,520 52	-	2,006 50	-	-	3,369 92	158,170 38
Total for the State	-	189,223.51	228,884 01	192,548 28	-	34,635 72	-	1,700 00	13,252 37	502,845 14
MICHIGAN.										
Detroit	-	6,314.91	7,893 63	7,893 63	-	-	-	-	1,776 14	6,258 72
Kalamazoo	-	4,807.61	6,009 52	5,752 02	-	157 50	-	100 00	4,102 00	2,029 50
Monroe	-	759.85	949 81	949 81	-	-	-	-	1,066 62	250 80
Genesee	-	2,267.17	2,833 96	2,833 96	-	-	-	-	1,420 36	2,607 35
Ionía	-	11,956.67	14,945 85	14,845 85	-	-	-	100 00	3,409 57	11,733 88
Total for the State	-	26,106.21	32,632 77	32,275 27	-	157 50	-	200 00	11,774 69	22,880 25

* No sales since 1837.

STATEMENT A--Continued.

Land offices.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous entries.		Amount received in cash, Treasurer's receipts, and Treasury notes.			Amount received in forfeited land stock and military scrip.		Amount of incidental expenses.	Amount paid into the Treasury during the year.
	Acres.	Purchase money.	Cash.	Treasurer's receipts.	Treasury notes.	Forfeited land stock.	Military land scrip.		
ARKANSAS.									
Batesville -	7,001.34	\$8,751 69	\$8,751 69	-	-	-	-	\$1,013 26	\$4,100 00
Little Rock -	11,676.59	14,599 76	14,599 76	-	-	-	-	2,393 31	17,369 51
Washington -	14,979.88	18,803 45	18,803 45	-	-	-	-	1,613 55	23,355 00
Fayetteville -	33,097.54	41,371 93	41,371 93	-	-	-	-	2,302 60	27,950 00
Helena -	9,050.71	11,193 39	9,193 39	-	-	-	\$2,000 00	1,827 91	6,467 57
Johnson C. H. -	34,804.31	43,639 92	43,639 92	-	-	-	-	2,832 79	40,100 00
Total for the State -	110,610.37	138,360 14	136,360 14	-	-	-	2,000 00	11,983 42	118,342 08
WISCONSIN TER.									
Mineral Point -	7,518.96	9,398 73	9,398 73	-	-	-	-	1,613 51	9,743 04
Green Bay -	6,125.49	7,656 83	7,656 83	-	-	-	-	1,516 62	9,124 94
Milwaukee -	114,153.89	142,792 92	138,700 59	-	\$1,674 83	-	2,417 50	4,376 77	186,480 31
Total for the Territory	127,798.34	159,848 48	155,756 15	-	1,674 83	-	2,417 50	7,506 90	205,348 29
IOWA TER.									
Dubuque -	124,420.02	155,525 02	151,328 52	\$200 00	3,896 50	-	100 00	15,187 72	159,425 01
Burlington -	443,462.46	554,564 07	550,475 77	-	1,050 80	-	3,037 50	9,951 20	546,191 56
Total for the Territory	567,882.48	710,089 09	701,804 29	200 00	4,947 30	-	3,137 50	25,138 92	705,616 57

FLORIDA TERR.										
Tallahassee -	-	19,075.06	23,843 83	23,423 83	-	420 00	-	-	1,616 55	28,699 41
St. Augustine	-	6,527.62	8,159 52	8,169 52	-	-	-	-	1,100 52	6,578 88
Total for the Territory		25,602.68	32,003 35	31,583 35	-	420 00	-	-	2,717 07	35,272 29

RECAPITULATION.

Ohio -	-	33,059.43	41,327 47	38,351 48	700 00	200 49	275 50	1,800 00	9,203 70	47,784 18
Indiana -	-	118,868.53	148,645 20	146,829 12	-	306 52	641 64	867 92	10,890 32	127,939 83
Illinois -	-	389,275.45	486,647 33	461,211 57	2,600 00	16,367 84	892 87	5,575 05	26,041 44	697,751 90
Missouri -	-	572,498.34	716,210 14	712,057 89	-	-	14 75	4,137 50	29,121 93	718,290 19
Alabama -	-	56,784.58	71,020 59	69,927 89	-	-	392 70	700 00	13,979 36	79,661 50
Mississippi -	-	19,174.82	23,968 96	23,968 96	-	-	-	-	6,266 29	29,488 07
Louisiana -	-	189,228.51	228,884 01	192,548 28	-	34,635 72	-	1,700 00	13,252 37	502,845 14
Michigan -	-	26,106.21	32,632 77	32,275 27	-	157 50	-	200 00	11,774 69	22,880 25
Arkansas -	-	110,610.37	138,360 14	136,360 14	-	-	-	2,000 00	11,983 42	119,342 08
Wisconsin -	-	127,798.34	159,848 48	155,756 15	-	1,674 83	-	2,417 50	7,506 90	205,348 29
Iowa -	-	567,882.48	710,089 09	701,804 29	200 00	4,947 30	-	3,137 50	25,138 92	705,616 57
Florida -	-	25,602.68	32,003 35	31,593 35	-	420 00	-	-	2,717 07	35,272 29
Grand total	-	2,236,889.74	2,789,637 53	2,702,674 39	3,500 00	58,710 20	2,217 46	22,535 47	167,876 41	3,292,220 29

William Selden, Treasurer of the United States

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE, December 24, 1841.

E. M. HUNTINGTON, Commissioner.

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B.

Statement of public lands sold ; of cash, Treasurer's receipts, Treasury notes, and scrip, received therefor ; of incidental expenses thereon ; and of payments into the Treasury on account thereof, in the first, second, and third quarters of the year 1841.

Land offices.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous entries.		Amount received in cash, Treasurer's receipts, and Treasury notes.			Amount received in forfeited land stock and military scrip.		Amount of incidental expenses.	Amount paid into the Treasury during the three quarters of the year.
	Acres.	Purchase money.	Cash.	Treasurer's receipts.	Treasury notes.	Forfeited land stock.	Military land scrip.		
OHIO.									
Chillicothe -	10,511.44	\$13,139 30	\$12,975 80	-	-	\$163 50	-	\$1,781 95	\$11,837 51
Lima -	14,628.56	21,365 18	21,265 18	-	-	-	\$100 00	1,452 20	18,359 24
Bucyrus -	2,883.30	3,783 55	3,615 90	-	-	167 65	-	945 15	2,565 27
Marietta -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	199 31
Zanesville -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42 04
Cincinnati -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,814 00
Total for the State -	28,023.30	38,288 03	37,856 88	-	-	331 15	100 00	4,179 30	34,817 40
INDIANA.									
Jeffersonville -	9,824.13	12,280 16	12,205 41	-	-	74 75	-	1,049 37	11,486 56
Vincennes -	18,048.15	22,560 07	22,375 27	-	-	84 80	100 00	1,284 43	24,182 12
Indianapolis -	3,453.09	4,316 36	4,216 36	-	-	-	100 00	2,432 22	2,693 76
Crawfordsville -	1,761.84	2,202 30	2,202 30	-	-	-	-	1,015 43	9,435 98
Fort Wayne -	7,101.54	8,876 93	8,576 93	-	-	-	300 00	1,215 79	14,331 43
Winnamac -	27,472.34	34,351 88	34,145 51	-	\$206 37	-	-	2,200 80	31,813 91
Total for the State -	67,661.09	84,587 70	83,721 78	-	206 37	159 55	500 00	9,198 04	93,943 76

ILLINOIS.										
Shawneetown -	12,063.57	15,081 37	14,590 00	-	206 41	184 96	100 00	1,056 00	15,403 42	
Kaskaskia -	22,433.94	28,275 61	27,825 26	-	50 35	-	400 00	1,362 74	19,027 77	
Edwardsville -	7,806.88	9,758 43	9,508 43	-	225 00	-	25 00	1,313 34	10,565 72	
Vandalia -	17,744.00	22,180 58	20,780 58	-	-	-	1,400 00	1,369 92	8,600 00	
Palestine -	14,530.56	18,163 20	18,163 20	-	-	-	-	1,603 40	14,068 94	
Springfield -	4,926.68	6,153 34	3,848 76	-	-	-	2,309 58	905 17	5,263 00	
Danville -	3,221.74	4,027 17	3,977 17	-	-	-	50 00	154 79	693 98	
Quincy -	6,782.36	8,477 94	7,908 07	-	369 87	-	200 00	1,011 55	7,233 96	
Dixon, late Galena -	54,727.53	68,409 49	48,734 97	\$1,000 00	17,737 86	-	936 66	3,148 55	47,965 59	
Chicago -	113,898.67	142,451 72	133,968 95	-	2,672 44	-	5,810 33	3,938 29	135,648 24	
Total for the State -	258,135.93	322,983 85	289,305 39	1,000 00	21,261 93	184 96	11,231 57	15,863 75	264,470 62	
MISSOURI.										
St. Louis -	22,689.46	28,361 83	28,361 83	-	-	-	-	1,477 66	24,048 04	
Fayette -	47,733.14	59,666 41	59,358 48	-	-	7 94	300 00	2,187 40	72,624 82	
Palmyra -	22,138.33	27,672 91	27,160 41	-	-	-	512 50	1,539 54	26,402 13	
Jackson -	12,356.45	15,445 56	15,445 56	-	-	-	-	1,178 02	8,923 68	
Lexington -	45,952.71	57,440 89	57,440 89	-	-	-	-	3,543 09	89,902 87	
Springfield -	33,788.12	42,235 15	41,935 15	-	-	-	300 00	2,891 21	52,813 95	
Total for the State -	184,658.21	230,822 76	229,702 32	-	-	7 94	1,112 50	12,816 92	274,715 49	
ALABAMA.										
St. Stephen's -	2,975.25	3,720 16	2,994 83	-	100 00	625 33	-	851 26	149 81	
Cahaba -	18,478.02	23,990 89	23,385 34	-	605 55	-	-	1,371 80	29,497 32	
Huntsville -	1,949.32	2,436 67	2,297 58	-	-	139 09	-	797 96	15,800 07	
Tuscaloosa -	2,041.23	2,551 91	2,551 91	-	-	-	-	852 97	1,827 96	
Sparta -	6,568.12	8,210 14	8,210 14	-	-	-	-	1,008 26	9,326 18	
Demopolis -	117.51	146 88	146 88	-	-	-	-	534 86		
Montgomery -	4,155.32	5,194 16	4,993 74	-	200 42	-	-	969 87	11,873 26	
Mardisville -	2,756.62	3,445 02	3,245 02	-	-	-	200 00	986 26	5,955 16	
Total for the State -	39,041.39	49,695 83	47,825 44	-	905 97	764 42	200 00	7,373 24	74,429 76	

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Land offices.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous entries.		Amount received in cash, Treasurer's receipts, and Treasury notes.			Amount received in forfeited land stock and military scrip.		Amount of incidental ex- penses.	Amount paid into the Treas- ury during the three quarters of the year.
	Acres.	Purchase money.	Cash.	Treasurer's receipts.	Treasury notes.	Forfeited land stock.	Military land scrip.		
MISSISSIPPI.									
Washington -	1,106.22	\$1,382 77	\$1,358 87	-	-	\$23 90	-	\$880 61	\$200 00
Augusta -	1,125.45	1,406 82	1,406 82	-	-	-	-	747 74	5,167 71
Jackson -	708.75	885 93	885 93	-	-	-	-	659 66	14,601 82
Grenada -	1,560.18	1,950 23	1,950 23	-	-	-	-	539 64	3,334 47
Columbus -	4,620.55	5,775 69	5,775 69	-	-	-	-	973 41	10,476 52
Total for the State -	9,121.15	11,401 44	11,377 54	-	-	23 90	-	3,801 06	33,780 52
LOUISIANA.									
New Orleans -	4,796.14	5,995 90	5,995 90	-	-	-	-	884 19	5,193 08
Opelousas -	7,664.01	9,581 36	9,581 36	-	-	-	-	1,135 18	18,024 04
Ouachita -	21,582.35	21,977 98	21,670 10	-	\$307 88	-	-	1,690 21	45,688 44
Greensburg.*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natchitoches -	8,899.20	11,124 51	11,124 51	-	-	-	-	698 13	10,900 00
Total for the State -	42,941.70	48,679 75	48,371 87	-	307 88	-	-	4,407 71	79,805 56
MICHIGAN.									
Detroit -	3,473.80	4,342 64	4,342 64	-	-	-	-	1,450 09	2,987 34
Kalamazoo -	2,724.62	3,405 78	3,405 78	-	-	-	-	1,125 67	1,350 00
Genesee -	1,698.79	3,862 37	3,862 37	-	-	-	-	3,557 17	-
Ionia -	5,112.10	6,390 12	6,290 12	\$100 00	-	-	-	1,355 15	4,672 66
Total for the State -	13,009.31	18,000 91	17,900 91	100 00	-	-	-	7,488 08	9,010 00

ARKANSAS.									
Batesville -	-	4,313.64	5,398 29	5,398 29	-	-	-	966 78	8,941 50
Little Rock -	-	11,037.84	14,048 13	14,048 13	-	-	-	1,462 92	14,640 17
Washington -	-	5,465.33	6,831 68	6,831 68	-	-	-	1,095 81	21,214 95
Fayetteville -	-	7,128.99	8,911 23	8,911 23	-	-	-	1,809 44	13,850 00
Helena -	-	3,734.25	4,667 80	3,951 52	50 00	666 28	-	1,243 61	7,766 28
Johnson C. H. -	-	13,968.66	17,460 81	17,460 81	-	-	-	1,837 45	18,560 10
Total for the State -	-	45,653.71	57,317 94	56,601 66	50 00	666 28	-	8,416 01	84,973 00
WISCONSIN TER.									
Muskoday, late Mine-	-								
ral Point -	-	12,466.75	15,583 94	15,283 94	-	-	\$300 00	1,145 96	7,955 56
Green Bay -	-	3,898.19	4,872 68	4,872 68	-	-	-	957 44	2,150 00
Milwaukee -	-	54,440.82	68,800 62	67,489 21	-	1,311 41	-	1,784 35	70,278 30
Total for the Territory	-	70,805.76	89,257 24	87,645 83	-	1,311 41	300 00	3,887 75	80,383 86
IOWA TER.									
Dubuque -	-	25,206.73	31,520 41	30,332 41	-	50 50	1,137 50	2,062 28	17,540 58
Burlington -	-	28,261.79	35,327 22	31,502 12	-	1,232 58	2,592 52	2,210 79	47,042 97
Total for the Territory	-	53,468.52	66,847 63	61,834 53	-	1,283 08	3,730 02	4,273 07	64,583 55
FLORIDA TER.									
Tallahassee -	-	4,026.92	5,033 65	4,024 46	-	1,009 19	-	869 51	5,752 15
St. Augustine -	-	1,525.40	1,906 70	1,906 70	-	-	-	822 50	1,023 25
Total for the Territory	-	5,552.32	6,940 35	5,931 16	-	1,009 19	-	1,692 01	6,775 40

* No sales since November, 1837.

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RECAPITULATION.

Land offices.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous entries.		Amount received in cash, Treasurer's receipts, and Treasury notes.			Amount received in forfeited land stock and military scrip.		Amount of incidental expenses.	Amount paid into the Treasury during the three quarters of the year.
	Acres.	Purchase money.	Cash.	Treasurer's receipts.	Treasury notes.	Forfeited land stock.	Military land scrip.		
Ohio - -	28,023.30	\$38,288 03	\$37,856 88	-	-	\$331 15	\$100 00	\$4,179 30	\$34,817 40
Indiana - -	67,661.09	81,587 70	83,721 78	-	\$206 37	159 55	500 00	9,198 04	93,943 76
Illinois - -	258,135.93	322,983 85	289,305 39	\$1,000 00	21,261 93	184 96	11,231 57	15,863 75	264,470 62
Missouri - -	184,658.21	230,822 76	229,702 32	-	-	7 94	1,112 50	12,816 92	274,715 49
Alabama - -	39,041.39	49,695 83	47,825 44	-	905 97	764 42	290 00	7,373 24	74,429 76
Mississippi - -	9,121.15	11,401 44	11,377 54	-	-	23 90	-	3,801 06	33,780 52
Louisiana - -	42,941.70	48,679 75	48,371 87	-	307 88	-	-	4,407 71	79,805 56
Michigan - -	13,009.31	18,000 91	17,900 91	100 00	-	-	-	7,488 08	9,010 00
Arkansas - -	45,653.71	57,317 94	56,601 66	50 00	666 28	-	-	8,416 01	84,973 00
Wisconsin - -	70,805.76	89,257 24	87,645 83	-	1,311 41	-	300 00	3,887 75	80,383 86
Iowa - -	53,468.52	66,847 63	61,834 53	-	1,283 08	-	3,730 02	4,273 07	64,583 55
Florida - -	5,552.32	6,940 35	5,931 16	-	1,009 19	-	-	1,692 01	6,775 40
Grand total -	818,072.39	1,024,823 43	978,075 31	1,150 00	26,952 11	1,471 92	17,174 09	83,396 94	1,101,688 92
By Wm. Selden, Treasurer of the United States									2,374 14
									1,104,063 06

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, December 24, 1841.

E. M. HUNTINGTON, Commissioner.

C.

Exhibit of the amount of purchase money (including erroneous entries) received for land sold at the United States land offices, monthly, from the 1st of January to the 30th of September, 1841, inclusive.

Land offices.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.
OHIO.									
Chillicothe -	\$1,867 86	\$691 91.	\$1,421 03	\$944 14	\$852 75	\$2,270 94	\$1,561 09	\$1,360 37	\$2,219 42
Lima -	300 00	1,007 80	2,302 32	99 01	700 00	8,471 62	5,251 02	2,107 06	1,126 34
Bucyrus -	300 00	50 00	400 00	198 92	66 37	1,117 16	350 00	750 00	551 08
Total for the State -	2,467 86	1,749 71	4,123 35	1,242 07	1,619 12	11,859 72	7,162 11	4,217 33	3,896 84
INDIANA.									
Jeffersonville -	1,490 15	3,384 47	1,680 68	960 31	801 19	1,070 70	200 00	1,798 27	1,094 39
Vincennes -	No sales.	No sales.	5,669 51	2,697 08	2,711 25	3,286 40	3,486 69	2,365 75	2,543 39
Indianapolis -	350 00	666 36	550 00	50 00	1,650 00	600 00	250 00	200 00	No sales.
Crawfordsville -	489 23	349 90	152 80	No sales.	193 46	303 07	No sales.	551 07	262 77
Fort Wayne -	1,052 98	1,235 45	1,050 00	400 00	1,120 65	1,136 40	No sales.	1,569 48	1,311 97
Winnamac -	2,525 40	7,563 97	11,664 31	1,505 23	1,069 22	3,913 79	2,385 06	1,241 81	3,621 98
Total for the State -	5,907 76	13,200 15	20,767 30	5,812 62	7,545 77	10,310 36	6,321 75	7,726 38	8,834 50
ILLINOIS.									
Shawneetown -	1,300 00	1,693 46	2,135 15	970 53	1,701 92	1,897 13	1,025 19	2,546 95	2,030 50
Kaskaskia -	2,072 47	4,638 18	4,256 45	2,360 08	3,663 48	2,992 06	1,657 79	3,746 59	2,048 52
Edwardsville -	1,383 21	1,346 64	1,113 87	348 69	990 01	1,370 31	945 44	1,196 22	1,464 64
Vandalia -	2,624 96	3,162 94	1,484 70	2,422 22	1,850 39	4,556 87	2,171 37	2,186 04	2,421 11
Palestine -	3,107 43	3,010 10	849 82	1,203 75	2,695 24	2,596 16	1,831 14	1,627 53	1,242 03
Springfield -	1,100 07	748 15	300 00	No sales.	600 00	300 00	948 21	1,411 91	1,050 00
Danville -	1,599 42	466 22	400 00	501 50	150 00	396 90	418 91	100 00	349 16
Quincy -	1,318 14	842 40	400 00	519 52	627 03	1,495 21	447 50	2,164 09	984 96

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Land offices.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.
ILLINOIS—continued.									
Dixon - -	\$1,283 41	\$1,497 56	\$2,168 05	\$1,048 85	\$250 00	\$6,198 24	\$12,358 29	\$36,269 37	\$7,919 87
Chicago - -	8,505 16	81,739 21	8,039 95	4,281 44	2,542 96	6,430 50	10,436 44	15,772 76	5,006 90
Total for the State -	24,894 27	99,144 86	21,147 99	13,656 58	15,071 03	28,233 38	32,240 28	67,021 46	24,517 69
MISSOURI.									
St. Louis - -	2,932 63	4,324 58	4,137 62	3,304 18	4,439 37	4,212 43	1,877 80	No sales.	3,465 80
Fayette - -	9,511 46	8,708 25	6,921 76	6,043 37	7,640 05	7,535 46	7,243 75	6,165 42	5,428 18
Palmyra - -	3,200 00	4,412 16	2,463 41	2,598 78	4,794 31	2,606 29	2,271 96	4,060 80	2,115 40
Jackson - -	1,341 93	2,403 36	3,102 77	2,284 65	No sales.	2,784 94	1,152 76	1,202 56	1,362 64
Lexington - -	11,214 41	11,323 45	8,556 69	6,551 44	9,070 56	10,963 53	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.
Springfield -	6,795 38	9,338 33	5,441 82	3,545 75	4,595 44	5,751 72	2,368 00	2,959 49	1,795 10
Total for the State -	34,995 81	40,510 13	30,624 07	24,328 17	30,539 73	33,854 37	14,914 27	14,388 27	14,167 12
ALABAMA.									
St. Stephen's -	323 34	401 22	540 80	446 51	299 48	593 12	249 86	763 22	596 36
Cahaba - -	1,994 50	1,872 13	1,280 28	578 65	1,824 95	9,664 01	1,919 15	3,111 96	2,306 44
Huntsville -	470 36	350 95	400 73	50 29	199 55	399 73	200 21	215 00	149 85
Tuscaloosa -	No sales.	1,050 88	250 59	350 29	199 84	100 25	49 95	400 63	149 78
Sparta - -	1,375 96	1,204 43	1,412 20	1,638 02	713 52	500 39	548 11	963 87	601 32
Demopolis -	No sales.	49 96	99 69	99 71	99 92	No sales.	49 55	150 30	No sales.
Montgomery -	1,391 37	799 53	510 97	100 00	250 34	487 12	401 69	951 28	501 86
Mardisville -	355 92	500 04	494 09	349 12	301 06	487 09	50 00	501 89	405 81
Total for the State -	5,911 45	6,229 14	4,989 35	3,612 59	3,888 66	12,231 71	3,468 52	7,058 15	4,711 42
MISSISSIPPI.									
Washington -	597 08	No sales.	305 47	119 64	202 75	50 00	100 00	336 55	200 08
Augusta - -	No sales.	No sales.	381 67	102 74	50 09	299 48	100 00	499 52	398 77

Jackson	-	No sales.	464 53	No sales.	No sales.	325 00	96 40	49 68	No returns.	No returns.
Grenada	-	199 56	548 06	502 24	401 89	199 85	198 31	No sales.	391 30	No sales.
Columbus	-	400 27	734 68	150 23	611 25	852 08	561 72	588 10	1,617 58	905 94
Total for the State	-	1,196 91	1,747 27	1,339 61	1,235 52	1,629 77	1,205 91	837 78	2,844 95	1,504 79
LOUISIANA.										
New Orleans	-	303 66	1,203 57	357 36	926 15	99 47	1,403 68	1,350 80	247 97	484 29
Opelousas	-	No sales.	2,062 59	6,017 54	4,800 00	2,318 03	1,653 48	2,294 85	5,329 26	2,323 21
Ouachita	-	5,072 48	2,828 75	1,824 36	2,923 31	2,764 11	1,905 26	1,895 19	3,753 35	5,173 62
Greensburg	-	No sales	since 1837.							
Natchitoches	-	1,890 02	4,368 32	2,526 37	2,089 15	250 14	No returns	since May.		
Total for the State	-	7,266 16	10,463 23	10,725 63	10,838 61	5,431 75	4,962 42	5,540 84	9,330 58	7,981 12
MICHIGAN.										
Detroit	-	690 56	200 00	530 16	250 00	452 62	200 00	540 85	850 55	727 90
Kalamazoo	-	354 10	50 00	No sales.	380 90	756 14	250 65	650 30	400 00	763 69
Genesee	-	100 00	150 00	100 00	150 00	253 71	291 69	200 00	50 00	2,566 97
Ionia	-	527 50	630 54	352 67	650 00	483 06	1,800 00	896 35	350 00	700 00
Total for the State	-	1,672 16	1,030 54	982 83	1,430 90	1,945 53	2,542 34	2,287 50	1,650 55	4,758 56
ARKANSAS.										
Batesville	-	No sales.	No sales.	1,536 33	311 18	199 80	1,086 32	905 15	1,109 50	250 00
Little Rock	-	550 00	750 00	441 98	679 72	234 61	7,160 92	1,661 36	1,140 61	1,228 93
Washington	-	441 25	200 00	1,256 20	No sales.	No sales.	4,059 21	551 88	No sales.	600 21
Fayetteville	-	No sales.	No sales.	5,384 96	510 93	350 00	1,265 34	700 00	950 00	100 00
Helena	-	1,151 90	2,184 21	114 50	No sales.	612 77	340 07	No sales.	No sales.	459 30
Johnson O. H.	-	1,150 00	4,622 45	1,796 26	250 00	500 00	4,452 61	854 26	975 46	324 97
Total for the State	-	3,293 15	7,756 66	10,530 23	1,751 83	1,897 18	18,364 47	4,872 65	4,175 57	2,963 41
WISCONSIN TER.										
Muskoday (late Mineral Point)	-	791 40	1,050 00	350 00	395 85	980 60	6,034 20	2,006 66	2,109 45	1,895 77

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Land offices.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.
WISCONSIN—cont'd.									
Green Bay -	\$149 86	\$160 12	No sales.	\$350 00	\$305 75	\$1,455 80	\$1,547 10	\$817 55	\$605 24
Milwaukee -	4,108 44	3,639 83	\$5,382 08	3,332 29	6,543 43	14,042 58	13,457 62	8,130 16	10,372 94
Total for the Territory	5,039 70	4,819 95	5,732 08	4,078 14	7,809 78	21,532 58	17,011 38	11,057 16	12,873 95
IOWA TER.									
Dubuque -	7,856 77	2,548 90	3,075 09	3,393 44	No sales.	3,837 61	1,802 14	No sales.	9,064 33
Burlington -	3,699 78	No sales.	6,463 83	6,085 22	3,976 16	5,451 11	3,874 26	3,900 95	2,175 91
Total for the Territory	11,556 55	2,548 90	9,538 92	9,478 66	3,976 16	9,288 72	5,676 40	3,900 95	11,240 24
FLORIDA TER.									
Tallahassee -	1,404 68	1,997 27	500 06	264 10	No sales.	300 41	255 73	110 95	550 42
St. Augustine -	114 67	87 37	749 22	359 56	No sales.	600 88	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.
Total for the Territory	1,519 35	2,084 64	1,249 28	623 66	-	901 29	255 73	110 95	550 42

RECAPITULATION.

Ohio	-	\$2,467 86	\$1,749 71	\$4,123 35	\$1,242 07	\$1,619 12	\$11,859 72	\$7,162 11	\$4,217 33	\$3,896 84
Indiana	-	5,907 76	13,200 15	20,767 30	5,812 62	7,545 77	10,310 36	6,321 75	7,726 38	8,834 50
Illinois	-	24,894 27	99,144 86	21,147 99	13,656 58	15,071 03	28,233 38	32,240 28	67,021 46	24,517 69
Missouri	-	34,995 81	40,510 13	30,624 07	24,328 17	30,539 73	33,854 37	14,914 27	14,388 27	14,167 12
Alabama	-	5,911 45	6,229 14	4,989 35	3,612 59	3,888 66	12,231 71	3,468 52	7,058 15	4,711 42
Mississippi	-	1,196 91	1,747 27	1,339 61	1,235 52	1,629 77	1,205 91	837 78	2,884 95	1,504 79
Louisiana	-	7,266 16	10,463 23	10,725 63	10,838 61	5,431 75	4,962 42	5,540 84	9,330 58	7,981 12
Michigan	-	1,672 16	1,030 54	982 83	1,430 90	1,945 53	2,542 34	2,287 50	1,650 55	4,758 56
Arkansas	-	3,293 15	7,756 66	10,530 23	1,751 83	1,897 18	18,364 47	4,872 65	4,175 57	2,963 41
Wisconsin	-	5,039 70	4,819 95	5,732 08	4,078 14	7,809 78	21,532 58	17,011 38	11,057 16	12,873 95
Iowa	-	11,556 55	2,548 90	9,538 92	9,478 66	3,976 16	9,288 72	5,676 40	3,900 95	11,240 24
Florida	-	1,519 35	2,084 64	1,249 28	623 66	-	901 29	255 73	110 95	550 42
Grand total	-	105,721 13	191,285 18	121,750 64	78,089 35	81,354 48	155,287 27	100,589 21	133,522 30	98,000 06

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, *December 24, 1841.*

E. M. HUNTINGTON, *Commissioner.*

Exhibit of the periods to which the monthly accounts of the registers and receivers of the public land offices have been rendered; showing the balance of cash in the receivers' hands at the date of their last monthly accounts current, and the periods to which the receivers' quarterly accounts have been rendered.

Land offices.	State or Territory.	Monthly returns.		Admitted balance of cash in hands of receivers, per last monthly accounts current.	Period to which the receivers' quarterly accounts have been rendered.
		Period to which rendered by register.	Period to which rendered by receiver.		
Chillicothe	Ohio	November 30, 1841	November 30, 1841	\$1,265 73	November 2, 1841.
Lima	Do	Do	Do	8,689 39	September 30, 1841.
Bucyrus	Do	Do	Do	5,192 84	Do.
Jeffersonville	Indiana	Do	Do	2,102 23	Do.
Vincennes	Do	Do	Do	4,677 57	Do.
Indianapolis	Do	Do	Do	1,501 12	Do.
Crawfordsville	Do	Do	Do	1,610 99	Do.
Fort Wayne	Do	Do	Do	4,992 52	Do.
Winnamac	Do	Do	Do	7,348 59	Do.
Shawneetown	Illinois	October 31, 1841	October 31, 1841	1,288 35	Do.
Kaskaskia	Do	Do	Do	7,946 81	Do.
Edwardsville	Do	November 30, 1841	November 30, 1841	3,942 58	Do.
Vandalia	Do	Do	Do	6,866 32	Do.
Palestine	Do	Do	October 31, 1841	3,268 02	Do.
Springfield	Do	October 31, 1841	Do	5,280 34	Do.
Danville	Do	Do	Do	3,080 39	Do.
Quincy	Do	Do	Do	2,586 32	Do.
Dixon	Do	Do	Do	13,562 04	October 31, 1841.
Chicago	Do	Do	Do	10,038 26	October 13, 1841.
St. Louis	Missouri	November 30, 1841	November 30, 1841	6,102 36	September 30, 1841.
Fayette	Do	October 31, 1841	October 31, 1841	13,677 63	Do.
Palmyra	Do	November 30, 1841	November 30, 1841	13,481 33	Do.
Jackson	Do	October 31, 1841	October 31, 1841	7,005 10	Do.
Lexington	Do	July 31, 1841	July 31, 1841	18,064 58	Do.

Springfield	-	Missouri	-	October 31, 1841	-	October 31, 1841	-	11,410 53	Do.
St. Stephen's	-	Alabama	-	Do	-	Do	-	4,014 69	Do.
Cahaba	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	15,507 95	Do.
Huntsville	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	808 32	Do.
Tuscaloosa	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	457 30	Do.
Sparta	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	3,710 46	Do.
Damopolis	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	775 10	Do.
Montgomery	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	2,868 65	Do.
Mardisville	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	100 05	Do.
Washington	-	Mississippi	-	November 30, 1841	-	October 31, 1841	-	537 09	Do.
Augusta	-	Do	-	October 31, 1841	-	Do	-	807 91	Do.
Jackson	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	3,796 92	Do.
Grenada	-	Do	-	August 31, 1841	-	August 31, 1841	-	4,941 60	June 30, 1841.
Columbus	-	Do	-	October 31, 1841	-	October 31, 1841	-	2,190 91	September 30, 1841.
New Orleans	-	Louisiana	-	Do	-	Do	-	447 42	Do.
Opelousas	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	1,827 46	June 30, 1841.
Ouachita	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	15,783 96	September 30, 1841.
Greensburg	-	Do	-	No sales since 1837.	-		-		
Natchitoches	-	Do	-	May 31, 1841	-	March 31, 1841	-	31,624 67	March 31, 1841.
Detroit	-	Michigan	-	October 31, 1841	-	October 31, 1841	-	1,677 61	September 30, 1841.
Kalamazoo	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	2,763 28	Do.
Geneseo	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	3,097 97	Do.
Ionia	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	1,500 00	June 30, 1841.
Batesville	-	Arkansas	-	Do	-	Do	-	5,010 67	September 30, 1841.
Little Rock	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	2,660 34	Do.
Washington	-	Do	-	December 31, 1839	-	September 30, 1841	-	2,802 93	Do.
Fayetteville	-	Do	-	September 30, 1841	-	Do	-	9,194 98	Do.
Helena	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	2,037 21	Do.
Johnson C. H.	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	17,480 90	Do.
Muskoday	-	Wisconsin	-	October 31, 1841	-	October 31, 1841	-	6,343 39	Do.
Green Bay	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	4,391 55	Do.
Milwaukee	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	33,930 30	Do.
Dubuque	-	Iowa	-	Do	-	Do	-	16,225 02	Do.
Burlington	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	8,442 24	Do.
Tallahassee	-	Florida	-	Do	-	Do	-	1,190 64	Do.
St. Augustine	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	138 31	Do.

E.

Exhibit in relation to the progress made in registering the sales of the public lands for each land district, and in the adjustment of the accounts of the receivers of public moneys, from the 1st December, 1840, to the 1st November, 1841.

Land offices.	Date of receivers' last accounts, adjusted up to the 1st December, 1840.	Date of receivers' last accounts, adjusted up to the 1st November, 1841.	No. of receivers' accounts adjusted from 1st Dec. 1840, to 1st Nov. 1841.	No. of receivers' accounts received, and to be adjusted.	Date and highest number of certificates of purchase, registered on the 1st December, 1840.		Date and highest number of certificates of purchase, registered on the 1st November, 1841.		No. of certificates of purchase registered from 1st Dec'r, 1840, to 1st Nov. 1841.	Period to which the monthly returns have been rendered, including certificates of purchase.	Highest number of certificates of purchase received.	No. of certificates of purchase received, and to be registered.
					Date.	Number.	Date.	Number.				
OHIO.												
Marietta -	Sept. 30, 1840	Dec. 31, 1840	2	-	May 21, 1839	6,191	Oct. 5, 1840	6,489	298	Oct. 5, 1840	6,849	433
Zanesville -	June 30, 1840	Mar. 9, 1841	3	-	Dec. 5, 1839	13,387	Aug. 8, 1840	13,407	20	Aug. 8, 1840	13,407	
Steuensville -	Sept. 8, 1840	Sept. 8, 1840	-	-	July 12, 1838	3,782	Dec. 4, 1839	3,787	5	Dec. 4, 1839	3,787	
Chillicothe -	June 30, 1840	June 30, 1841	*5	1	Dec. 30, 1839	11,871	Dec. 30, 1839	11,871	-	Sept. 30, 1841	12,304	
Cincinnati -	Sept. 30, 1839	Sept. 30, 1839	-	5	Sept. 30, 1839	8,222	Sept. 30, 1839	8,222	-	Sept. 30, 1839	8,222	
Wooster -	Sept. 18, 1840	Sept. 18, 1840	-	-	Aug. 29, 1837	3,560	July 10, 1840	3,570	10	July 10, 1840	3,570	
Lima -	June 30, 1840	June 30, 1841	*6	1	Sept. 28, 1839	11,546	Mar. 31, 1841	11,918	372	Sept. 30, 1841	12,039	121
Bucyras -	Aug. 26, 1840	Do	*7	1	Sept. 27, 1839	17,856	Oct. 23, 1839	17,874	18	Do	17,987	113
Total	-	-	23	8	-	76,415	-	77,138	723	-	77,805	667
INDIANA.												
Jeffersonville -	June 30, 1840	Aug. 16, 1841	6	1	Dec. 31, 1839	18,388	Dec. 1, 1840	18,674	286	Oct. 31, 1841	18,898	224
Vincennes -	Do	June 30, 1841	7	1	Oct. 31, 1840	30,696	Sept. 30, 1841	31,103	407	Do	31,133	30
Indianapolis -	Do	Do	6	1	Sept. 30, 1840	31,037	Mar. 31, 1841	31,082	45	Do	31,127	45
Crawfordsville -	Do	Do	7	1	Do	33,787	Do	33,847	60	Do	33,875	28
Fort Wayne -	Do	Aug. 4, 1841	5	1	Do	25,020	Sept. 30, 1841	25,200	180	Do	25,226	26
Winnamac -	Do	Aug. 16, 1841	5	1	April 30, 1840	13,336	June 29, 1840	13,336	-	Do	13,843	507
Total	-	-	*36	6	-	152,264	-	153,242	978	-	154,102	860

ILLINOIS.												
Shawneetown	June 30, 1840	June 30, 1841	6	1	Aug. 31, 1840	9,317	June 30, 1841	9,565	248	Sep. 30, 1841	9,636	71
Kaskaskia	Do	Do	6	1	Dec. 31, 1839	8,810	Mar. 31, 1841	9,627	817	Do	9,842	215
Edwardsville	Do	Do	5	1	Do	22,543	Do	22,893	350	Do	22,984	91
Vandalia	Do	Do	4	1	June 30, 1840	12,184	May 31, 1841	12,612	428	Do	12,734	122
Palestine	Do	Do	4	1	Aug. 31, 1840	14,311	July 29, 1841	14,872	561	Do	14,918	46
Springfield	Do	Do	5	1	Sept. 30, 1840	20,010	Mar. 31, 1841	20,139	129	Do	20,188	49
Danville	Do	Do	4	1	Mar. 31, 1840	8,847	Do	8,882	35	Do	8,914	32
Quincy	Do	Do	4	1	April 30, 1840	16,222	Do	16,414	192	Do	16,488	74
Dixon, late Galena	Do	Do	9	1	May 31, 1840	11,572	Sept. 30, 1841	12,360	788	Do	12,360	
Chicago	Do	Do	5	2	July 31, 1840	6,905	May 31, 1841	8,655	1,750	Do	9,002	347
Total	-	-	52	11	-	130,721	-	136,019	5,298	-	137,066	1,047
MISSOURI.												
St. Louis	June 30, 1840	June 30, 1841	4	1	Dec. 31, 1839	12,624	Dec. 31, 1839	12,264	-	Sep. 30, 1841	13,635	1,011
Fayette	Do	Do	5	1	Aug. 31, 1840	22,196	June 30, 1841	23,157	961	Do	23,372	215
Palmyra	Do	Do	8	1	July 21, 1840	22,264	July 20, 1840	22,264	-	Do	22,867	603
Jackson	Do	Do	6	1	April 30, 1840	7,714	April 29, 1841	8,153	439	Do	8,252	99
Lexington	Do	Do	7	1	Sept. 10, 1839	16,250	Mar. 25, 1840	18,784	2,504	June 30, 1841	21,724	2,940
Springfield	Mar. 31, 1840	Do	7	1	July 26, 1837	213	July 26, 1837	213	-	Sep. 30, 1841	6,113	5,900
Total	-	-	*37	6	-	81,261	-	85,195	3,934	-	95,963	10,768
ALABAMA.												
St. Stephen's	June 30, 1840	Sept. 30, 1841	5	None	June 30, 1840	8,843	Oct. 31, 1841	8,940	97	Oct. 31, 1841	8,940	
Cahaba	Do	Do	8	Do	Do	35,454	Do	35,851	397	Do	35,851	
Huntsville	Do	Do	8	Do	Do	12,369	Do	12,332	63	Do	12,332	
Tuscaloosa	Do	Do	8	Do	Do	1,580	-	581	1	-	581	
Sparta	Do	Do	6	Do	Do	23,789	Do	23,854	65	Do	23,854	
Demopolis	Do	Do	6	Do	Do	6,917	Do	7,111	194	Do	7,111	
Montgomery	Do	Do	5	Do	Do	13,147	Do	13,168	21	Do	13,168	
Mardisville	Do	Do	7	Do	Do	7,972	Do	8,157	185	Do	8,157	
	Do	Do	7	Do	Do	5,648	Do	5,793	145	Do	5,793	
Total	-	-	54	-	-	114,619	-	115,787	1,168	-	115,787	

* Under all bonds, and including late receivers.
† Cherokee school lands.

EXHIBIT E—Continued.

Land offices.	Date of receivers' last accounts, adjusted up to the 1st December, 1840.	Date of receivers' last accounts, adjusted up to the 1st November, 1841.	No. of receivers' accounts adjusted from 1st Dec. 1840, to 1st Nov. 1841.	No. of receivers' accounts received, and to be adjusted.	Date and highest number of certificates of purchase, registered on the 1st December, 1840.	Date and highest number of certificates of purchase, registered on the 1st November, 1841.	No. of certificates of purchase registered from 1st Dec'r, 1840, to 1st Nov. 1841.	Period to which the monthly returns have been rendered, including certificates of purchase.	Highest number of certificates of purchase received.	No of certificates of purchase received, and to be registered.		
MISSISSIPPI.												
Washington -	June 30, 1840	June 30, 1841	5	1	Dec. 31, 1838	6,070	Oct. 22, 1839	6,132	62	Oct. 31, 1841	6,201	69
Augusta -	Sept. 30, 1840	Do	5	1	Oct. 31, 1840	6,936	Oct. 31, 1841	6,968	32	Do	6,968	
Jackson -	June 30, 1840	Do	3	1	Do	29,795	Do	29,824	29	Do	29,824	
Grenada -	Sept. 30, 1840	Do	7	None	Do	6,732	Aug. 31, 1841	6,747	15	Aug. 31, 1841	6,747	
Columbus -	June 30, 1840	Do	9	1	Do	31,272	Oct. 31, 1841	31,330	58	Oct. 31, 1841	31,330	
Pontotoc -	-	-	-	-	Do	15,445	-	18,125	2,680	-	18,188	63
Total	-	-	33	4	-	96,250	-	99,126	2,876	-	99,258	132
LOUISIANA.												
New Orleans -	Mar. 31, 1840	June 30, 1841	6	1	Aug. 10, 1840	1,645	Mar. 26, 1840	1,735	89	Oct. 31, 1841	1,858	124
Opelousas -	June 30, 1840	Do	7	-	April 25, 1840	2,745	July 28, 1841	2,944	199	Do	3,013	69
Ouachita -	Do	Do	4	1	April 28, 1840	6,625	June 29, 1841	7,215	590	Do	7,313	98
Greensburg -	Dec. 31, 1837	Dec. 31, 1837	-	-	July 29, 1837	1,340	July 29, 1837	1,340	-	July 29, 1837	1,340	
Natchitoches -	June 30, 1840	June 30, 1841	3	-	July 11, 1840	2,129	May 4, 1841	2,370	241	May 31, 1841	2,370	
Total	-	-	20	2	-	14,484	-	15,603	1,119	-	15,894	291
MICHIGAN.												
Detroit -	June 30, 1840	Mar. 31, 1841	5	2	Sept. 30, 1840	28,612	Sept. 30, 1841	28,769	97	Sept. 30, 1841	28,709	
Kalamazoo -	Do	Do	6	2	Oct. 28, 1840	24,144	Do	24,187	43	Do	24,187	
Monroe -	Do	Do	2	-	Sept. 26, 1840	14,105	Dec. 11, 1840	14,108	3	Discontinued Dec. 19, 1840.	14,108	

Genesee	-	Do	Do	5	4	Sept. 30, 1840	1,967	Aug. 10, 1841	2,001	Sept. 30, 1841	2,015	14	
Ionia	-	Do	Do	5	1	Sept. 29, 1840	4,955	Sept. 29, 1841	5,082	Do	5,082		
Total	-	-	-	23	9	-	73,783	-	74,087	304	74,101	14	
ARKANSAS.													
Batesville	-	Dec. 31, 1839	Mar. 31, 1841	5	2	July 27, 1840	2,556	July 20, 1841	2,659	103	Aug. 31, 1841	2,675	16
Little Rock	-	Mar. 31, 1840	Do	4	2	July 17, 1840	4,219	May 31, 1841	4,301	82	Oct. 31, 1841	4,431	130
Washington	-	Do	Do	4	2	Dec. 28, 1839	4,265	Dec. 28, 1839	4,265	-	No returns fr. register.	4,265	
Fayetteville	-	Do	Do	4	2	July 8, 1840	4,280	July 29, 1841	5,009	729	Aug. 31, 1841	5,020	11
Helena	-	Do	Do	4	2	July 30, 1840	4,348	June 18, 1841	4,437	89	Sep. 30, 1841	4,443	6
Johnson C. H.	-	Dec. 31, 1839	Do	5	2	June 30, 1840	441	June 30, 1840	444	3	Do	761	317
Total	-	-	-	26	12	-	20,109	-	21,115	1,006	-	21,595	480
WISCONSIN.													
Muskoday	-	Dec. 31, 1839	Dec. 31, 1840	4	3	July 31, 1840	5,921	July 9, 1841	6,099	178	*July 9, 1841	6,099	
Green Bay	-	Do	Do	4	3	May 23, 1840	2,409	Aug. 27, 1841	2,491	82	Oct. 31, 1841	2,507	16
Milwaukee	-	Do	Do	4	3	Aug. 31, 1840	7,605	Aug. 31, 1840	7,605	-	Do	9,021	1,416
Total	-	-	-	12	9	-	15,935	-	16,195	260	-	17,627	1,432
IOWA.													
Dubuque	-	June 30, 1840	Mar. 31, 1841	5	2	Sept. 26, 1840	1,509	Sept. 30, 1841	1,972	463	Sep. 30, 1841	1,972	
Burlington	-	Do	Do	5	4	Sept. 29, 1840	7,365	Do	8,630	1,265	Do	8,630	
Total	-	-	-	10	6	-	8,874	-	10,602	1,728	-	10,602	
FLORIDA.													
Tallahassee	-	Mar. 31, 1840	Dec. 31, 1840	3	3	Aug. 26, 1840	8,399	Aug. 24, 1841	8,496	97	Oct. 31, 1841	8,506	10
St. Augustine	-	Nov. 9, 1839	Do	4	3	Nov. 9, 1839	12	Nov. 9, 1839	12	-	Do	635	623
Total	-	-	-	7	6	-	8,411	-	8,508	97	-	9,141	633

* Returns for part of July, August, September, and October, returned for correction.

EXHIBIT E—Continued.

RECAPITULATION.

States and Territories.			No. of receivers' accounts adjusted from 1st Dec. 1840, to 1st Nov. 1841.	No. of receivers' accounts received, and to be adjusted.	Highest number of certificates of purchase registered on 1st Dec. 1840.	Highest number of certificates of purchase registered on 1st Nov. 1841.	No. of certificates of purchase registered from 1st Dec'r, 1840, to 1st Nov. 1841.	Highest number of certificates of purchase received.	No. of certificates of purchase received, and to be registered.
Ohio	-	-	23	8	76,415	77,138	723	77,805	667
Indiana	-	-	36	6	152,264	153,242	978	154,102	860
Illinois	-	-	52	11	130,721	136,019	5,298	137,066	1,047
Missouri	-	-	37	6	81,261	85,195	3,934	95,963	10,768
Alabama	-	-	54	-	114,619	115,787	1,168	115,787	
Mississippi	-	-	33	4	96,250	99,126	2,876	99,258	132
Louisiana	-	-	20	2	14,484	15,603	1,119	15,894	291
Michigan	-	-	23	9	73,783	74,087	304	74,101	14
Arkansas	-	-	26	12	20,109	21,115	1,006	21,595	480
Wisconsin	-	-	12	9	15,935	16,195	260	17,627	1,432
Iowa	-	-	10	6	8,874	10,602	1,728	10,602	
Florida	-	-	7	6	8,411	8,508	97	9,141	633
Grand total			333	79	793,126	812,617	19,491	828,941	16,324

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,
December 24, 1841.

E. M. HUNTINGTON,
Commissioner.

F.

Exhibit of the quantity of public land sold, and the amount paid by the purchasers thereof, in each State and Territory, in each year, from 1833 to the 30th September, 1841, inclusive.

States and Territories.	1833.		1834.		1835.	
	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.
Ohio - - - -	551,153.59	692,426 09	478,847.24	600,561 75	661,435.59	826,224 44
Indiana - - - -	554,681.78	693,522 40	673,656.44	842,170 84	1,586,904.85	2,075,571 56
Illinois - - - -	360,240.51	450,242 70	354,013.47	439,613 82	2,096,629.29	2,604,698 47
Missouri - - - -	226,285.68	296,522 58	253,791.70	320,978 62	662,180.47	828,121 81
Alabama - - - -	451,319.73	565,818 90	1,072,457.63	1,444,299 31	1,587,007.87	1,985,449 26
Mississippi - - - -	1,121,494.97	1,531,390 31	1,064,054.91	1,470,323 40	2,931,181.15	3,835,625 55
Louisiana - - - -	89,441.18	111,809 34	82,570.88	104,813 39	325,955.85	407,445 41
Michigan - - - -	447,789.17	563,264 92	*512,766.13	*643,826 49	1,817,247.81	2,271,575 17
Arkansas - - - -	41,859.43	52,324 42	149,756.46	213,020 64	630,027.75	787,927 99
Wisconsin - - - -	-	-	-	-	217,543.91	316,709 07
Iowa.						
Florida - - - -	11,970.52	14,963 18	16,309.85	20,372 78	48,364.31	60,455 38
Total - - - -	3,856,227.56	4,972,284 84	4,658,218.71	6,099,981 04	12,564,478.85	15,999,804 11

* These items include 14,336.67 acres, — \$20,770 18, sold in Wisconsin in 1834.

EXHIBIT F—Continued.

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States and Territories.	1836.		1837.		1838.	
	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.
Ohio - - - - -	1,282,991.80	1,663,116 56	470,420.72	588,564 39	243,095.87	303,945 78
Indiana - - - - -	3,245,344.13	4,061,492 68	1,249,817.97	1,564,653 06	802,424.54	753,419 27
Illinois - - - - -	3,199,708.64	4,000,294 36	1,012,849.10	1,266,118 21	778,560.32	987,170 27
Missouri - - - - -	1,655,687.66	2,071,204 35	663,987.75	830,095 15	510,423.32	642,087 13
Alabama - - - - -	1,901,409.00	2,377,573 78	381,773.96	477,219 02	159,969.13	204,935 66
Mississippi - - - - -	2,023,709.69	2,531,282 59	256,354.10	320,660 04	271,074.88	339,060 92
Louisiana - - - - -	879,456.06	1,099,323 58	230,952.59	288,692 24	164,178.16	216,330 03
Michigan - - - - -	4,189,823.12	5,241,228 70	773,522.31	969,071 10	97,533.72	121,929 53
Arkansas - - - - -	963,535.12	1,204,544 20	281,915.45	353,063 24	156,971.63	197,587 49
Wisconsin - - - - -	646,133.73	808,932 32	178,793.45	223,479 45	87,256.31	109,416 14
Iowa - - - - -	-	-	-	-	274,605.07	343,664 26
Florida - - - - -	87,071.97	108,839 94	100,725.72	125,907 14	68,814.47	86,018 16
Total - - - - -	20,074,870.92	25,167,833 06	5,601,103.12	7,007,523 04	3,414,907.42	4,305,564 64

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EXHIBIT F—Continued.

States and Territories.	1839.		1840.		30th September, 1841.		Aggregate in each State and Territory.	
	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.
Ohio - -	242,444.76	315,559 53	33,059.43	41,327 47	28,023.30	38,288 03	3,991,472.30	5,070,014 04
Indiana - -	618,748.31	773,998 95	118,868.53	148,645 20	67,661.09	84,587 70	8,718,107.64	10,998,061 66
Illinois - -	1,132,876 31	1,445,766 91	389,275.45	486,647 33	258,135.93	322,983 85	9,582,289.02	12,003,535 92
Missouri - -	1,038,065.83	1,304,718 69	572,498.34	716,210 14	184,658.21	230,822 76	5,767,578.96	7,240,761 23
Alabama - -	121,935.81	152,728 30	56,784.58	71,020 59	39,041.39	49,695 83	5,771,699.10	7,328,740 65
Mississippi - -	17,787.23	22,234 68	19,174.82	23,968 96	9,121.15	11,401 44	7,713,952.90	10,085,947 89
Louisiana - -	509,307.11	822,080 45	189,228.51	228,884 01	42,941.70	48,679 75	2,514,032.04	3,328,058 20
Michigan - -	134,984.02	175,008 66	26,106.21	32,632 77	13,009.31	18,000 91	8,012,766.80	10,036,538 25
Arkansas - -	154,858.74	188,710 05	110,610.37	138,360 14	45,653.71	57,317 94	2,535,188 66	3,192,856 11
Wisconsin - -	650,722.82	819,909 90	127,798.34	159,848 48	70,805 76	89,257 24	1,979,044.32	2,527,552 60
Iowa - -	298,152.31	373,180 46	567,862.48	710,089 09	53,468.52	66,847 63	1,194,108.38	1,493,781 44
Florida - -	56,499.62	70,660 20	25,602.68	32,003 35	5,552.32	6,940 35	420,911.46	526,160 48
Total - -	4,976,382.87	6,464,556 78	2,236,889.74	2,789,637 53	818,072.39	1,024,823 43	58,201,151.58	73,832,008 47

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, December 24, 1841.

E. M. HUNTINGTON, *Commissioner.*

G.

CHICKASAW LANDS IN MISSISSIPPI AND ALABAMA.

Exhibit of sales made pursuant to treaties with the Chickasaw Indians of 1832 and 1834, discriminating between the regular sales and those made for the benefit of Chickasaw orphans, from the commencement of operations under those treaties to September 30, 1841.

Year and quarter.	Regular sales.		Orphan sales.		Aggregates.	
	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.	Acres.	Dollars.
1836.						
1st quarter	413,774.06	650,225 15	} No sales in 1836 {		413,774.06	650,225 15
2d "	32,193.34	40,242 06			32,193.34	40,242 06
3d "	231,107.36	390,110 97			231,107.36	390,110 97
4th "	627,086.66	1,088,008 41			627,086.66	1,088,008 41
	1,304,161 42	2,168,586 59	—	—	1,304,161.42	2,168,586 59
1837.						
1st quarter	71,185.19	78,312 23	18,237.94	102,425 53	89,423.13	180,737 76
2d "	51,844.66	75,657 92	798.62	2,395 86	52,643.28	78,053 78
3d "	12,112.72	14,426 41	3,374.58	10,123 74	15,487.30	24,550 15
4th "	32,848.96	35,895 53	3,219.50	9,658 50	36,068.46	45,554 03
	167,991.53	204,292 09	25,630.64	124,603 63	193,622.17	328,895 72
1838.						
1st quarter	38,005.64	28,382 77	962.79	2,888 37	38,968.43	31,271 14
2d "	56,428.44	42,601 46	2,082.47	6,247 41	58,510.91	48,848 87
3d "	56,860.98	36,937 68	484.52	1,453 56	57,345.50	38,391 24
4th "	125,141.47	72,305 75	1,401.08	4,203 24	126,542.55	76,508 99
	276,436.53	180,227 66	4,930.86	14,792 58	281,367.39	195,020 24
1839.						
1st quarter	198,980.45	79,985 35	1,763.26	5,289 78	200,753.71	84,275 13
2d "	102,930.10	52,944 42	641.52	1,924 56	103,571.62	54,868 98
3d "	172,119.75	58,303 12	320.72	962 16	172,440.47	59,265 28
4th "	161,888.68	44,818 79	957.90	2,873 70	162,846.58	47,692 49
	635,928.98	235,051 68	3,683.40	11,050 20	639,612.38	246,101 88
1840.						
1st quarter	153,072.78	28,975 08	320.48	961 44	153,393.26	29,936 52
2d "	49,269.13	11,490 94	—	—	49,269.13	11,490 94
3d "	81,427.51	13,949 44	—	—	81,427.51	13,949 44
4th "	153,404.75	22,857 00	—	—	153,404.75	22,857 00
	437,174.17	77,272 46	320.48	961 44	437,494.65	78,233 90
1841.						
1st quarter	129,988.24	19,126 88	—	—	129,988.24	19,126 88
2d "	106,133.27	14,211 41	159.92	479 76	106,293.19	14,691 17
3d "	34,710.54	4,932 00	480.63	1,441 89	35,191.17	6,373 89
	270,832.05	38,270 29	640.55	1,921 65	271,472.60	40,191 94
Total sales to end of 3d q'ter, 1841	3,092,524.68	2,903,700 77	35,205.93	153,329 50	3,127,730.61	3,057,030 27

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, December 24, 1841.

E. M. HUNTINGTON, *Commissioner.*

H.

Estimates of appropriations for the surveying department for the year 1842.

	Dollars.	Dollars.
SALARIES.		
In addition to the unexpended balances of former appropriations :		
For compensation of the surveyor general northwest of the Ohio - - -	2,000	
For clerks in his office, per act of 9th May, 1836 - - -	6,300	8,300
For compensation of the surveyor general of Illinois and Missouri - - -	2,000	
For clerks in his office, per act of 9th May, 1836 - - -	3,820	5,820
For compensation of the surveyor general of Arkansas - - -	2,000	
For clerks in his office, per act of 9th May, 1836 - - -	2,800	4,800
For compensation of the surveyor general of Louisiana - - -	2,000	
For clerks in his office, per act of 9th May, 1836 - - -	2,500	4,500
For compensation of the surveyor general of Mississippi - - -	2,000	
For clerks in his office, per act of 9th May, 1836 - - -	5,000	7,000
For compensation of the surveyor general of Alabama - - -	2,000	
For clerks in his office, per act of 9th May, 1836 - - -	2,200	4,200
For compensation of the surveyor general of Florida - - -	2,000	
For clerks in his office, per act of 9th May, 1836 - - -	1,000	3,000
For compensation of the surveyor general of Wisconsin, per act of 12th June, 1838, and a proposed increase of \$500 - - -	2,000	
For clerk and draughtsman in his office, per same act, and a proposed increase of \$400 - - -	2,000	4,000
For extra clerks and draughtsmen in the offices of the surveyors general, in addition to the unexpended balances of former appropriations for clerks and draughtsmen in said offices, to be apportioned to them according to the exigencies of the public service - - -	-	10,000
For extra clerks in the offices of the surveyors general, to transcribe field notes of survey for the purpose of preserving them at the seat of Government, in addition to the unexpended balances of former appropriations for a similar object :		
Office of the surveyor general northwest of the Ohio - - -	4,500	
Do. do. of Wisconsin and Iowa - - -	1,000	
Do. do. of Illinois and Missouri - - -	4,500	
Do. do. of Arkansas - - -	1,000	
Do. do. of Louisiana , - - -	3,000	14,000
FOR SURVEYING FOR THE YEAR 1842.		
In addition to the unexpended balances of former appropriations :		
For surveying the public lands to be apportioned to the several surveying districts according to the exigencies of the public service, including office rent and fuel for the year 1842 - - -	-	10,000
For retracing certain surveys in the State of Alabama, and connecting private claims, in addition to former appropriations for a similar object, with authority to expend two thousand five hundred dollars thereof at a rate not exceeding eight dollars a mile - - -	-	11,140

ESTIMATE H—Continued.

	Dollars.	Dollars.
For retracing certain old surveys in the State of Mississippi, with authority to expend the same at a rate not exceeding eight dollars a mile, in addition to the appropriation heretofore made for a similar object - - - - -	-	9,600
For surveying in the State of Louisiana, to be expended at a rate not exceeding eight dollars a mile, required, in part, to pay deficiencies in existing appropriations - - - - -	-	13,192
Total - - - - -	-	109,552

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, *November 30, 1841.*E. M. HUNTINGTON, *Commissioner.*

Synopsis of the public lands proclaimed and reproclaimed since the 1st of December, 1840, (the date of the Commissioner's last annual report,) showing the quantity now under proclamation, exclusive of school lands.

Land districts.	Dates of proclamation.	Dates of sales.	Originally proclaimed.		Postponed.			Under proclamation.	
			Townships.	Acres.	Till when.	Townships.	Acres.	Townships.	Acres.
Illinois.....Dixon -	Feb. 18, 1841	Aug. 16, 1841	1	22,414.55	-	-	-	1	22,414.55
	Quiney -	Feb. 18, 1841	$\frac{3}{4}$	16,810.57	-	-	-	$\frac{3}{4}$	16,810.57
	Danville -	April 30, 1841	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	313,693.43	-	-	-	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	313,693.43
Arkansas....Washington	Feb. 20, 1841	June 21, 1841	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	151,743.42	-	-	-	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	151,743.42
	Little Rock -	Feb. 20, 1841	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	234,414.42	-	-	-	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	234,414.42
	Johnson C.H.	Feb. 20, 1841	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	105,068.63	-	-	-	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	105,068.63
	Fayetteville -	Feb. 20, 1841	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	68,251.33	-	-	-	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	68,251.33
	Batesville -	April 30, 1841	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	266,831.04	-	-	-	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	266,831.04
Michigan...Genesee -	Dec. 14, 1840	May 10, 1841	21	482,748.48	-	-	-	21	482,748.48
	Ionina -	Dec. 14, 1840	19	437,141.91	-	-	-	19	437,141.91
	Genesee -	Feb. 18, 1841	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	473,301.45	-	-	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	473,301.45
	Ionina -	Feb. 18, 1841	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	431,360.24	-	-	-	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	431,360.24
Ohio.....Lima -	Jan. 9, 1841	June 14, 1841	4	92,800.00	-	-	-	4	92,800.00
	Bucyrus -	Jan. 9, 1841	$\frac{1}{4}$	3,840.00	-	-	-	$\frac{1}{4}$	3,840.00
Wisconsin..Mineral Point	Feb. 20, 1841	June 21, 1841	7	160,046.51	-	-	-	7	160,046.51
Alabama...Cahaba -	March 2, 1841	June 14, 1841	2	44,061.29	-	-	-	2	44,061.29
							About	153	3,304,527.28

SYNOPSIS I,—Continued.

RECAPITULATION.

States and Territories.	Originally proclaimed.	Postponed.	Under proclamation.
	Acres.		Acres.
Illinois - - - -	352,918.55	-	352,918.55
Arkansas - - - -	826,308.84	-	826,308.84
Michigan - - - -	1,824,552.09	-	1,824,552.09
Ohio - - - - -	96,640.00	-	96,640.00
Wisconsin - - - -	160,046.51	-	160,046.51
Alabama - - - - -	44,061.29	-	44,061.29
	3,304,527.28	-	3,304,527.28

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, *December 24, 1841.*E. M. HUNTINGTON, *Commissioner.*

K.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE SURVEYORS GENERAL.

Circular to the Surveyors General.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,

September 18, 1841.

GENTLEMEN: Referring to the circular of instructions of my predecessor to you of the 8th June, 1837, I have to request that you will report to this office by the 1st of November next, on the condition and progress of the surveys in your respective districts, and on the internal operations of your offices, condensed as much as possible, accompanied by estimates for clerk hire and surveying, including incidental expenses for the service of the year 1842, to be submitted to Congress at its ensuing session, with the annual report and estimates of this office.

In making up the tabular statement of the surveying contracts, (a form for which, marked B, was transmitted with the above instructions of 1837,) should it be necessary to notice the contracts which have been fully paid for to the 30th instant, you will please to give them in a separate table; and, in each case, the actual number of miles in the contracts, and total cost thereof, should be inserted in the tables, when practicable, instead of the *estimated* number and cost, so that their aggregate may exhibit, as near as may be, the actual liabilities of your respective offices, at the close of the present quarter, for surveying under existing contracts; which you will again separate under the proper heads of general and special appropriations, and, after deducting the unexpended balances remaining in your hands, you will make two distinct items thereof in your general estimates, by which means this office will be enabled to determine how much of the undrawn appropriations will be necessary for this object, and thus regulate the amount of new appropriations to be recommended.

You will likewise accompany your report with the usual statements of your disbursements for surveying, showing the unexpended balances remaining in your hands, a form for which was transmitted with the instructions of 1837, marked A. Five copies of the maps of your respective districts, printed with the last annual report, are also herewith transmitted, for the purpose of having the information noted thereon, up to date, in such a manner as to obviate, if possible, by making some slight alteration on the original plates, the necessity of re-engraving them; and the coloring heretofore employed having been found very expensive, and an unavoidable source of delay in completing the document for distribution, it is determined to dispense with it altogether, except for those new surveys recommended by you, which, being in advance of the old surveyed lines, cannot be described by townships and ranges, and which you will border with lake red, by substituting tables in the body of your reports, describing the contracts and the condition of the surveys in them by the numbers of the townships and ranges, from which these particulars may be readily noted on the maps, if desired, by any person into whose hands they may fall.

The reports made last year from some of the offices contained particular lists of the township and subdivision plats constructed during the year, with lists of those transmitted to this office and to the local land offices, and other similar particulars, which, although found to be very useful for office

purposes, yet, for a public document, possess but little interest, and only serve to encumber it and add to the expense, without any corresponding advantages. The information designed to be conveyed by such lists should therefore be given in a more concise form in the annual reports, and the statements of particulars might be transmitted with the ordinary correspondence, so as to be referred to when required; occasions for which are of frequent occurrence in answering the numerous public and private inquiries made at this office.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

E. M. HUNTINGTON, *Comm'r.*

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Cincinnati, October 30, 1841.

SIR: In obedience to the requirement of your circular to the surveyors general of the 18th ultimo, I proceed to report to you on the condition and progress of the surveys in this district, and on the internal operations of this office, for the year ending on the 30th ultimo, with estimates for the service of the year 1842.

As there have been no new surveys ordered in the district this year, our field operations have been necessarily confined to the completion of the surveys remaining unfinished from last year.

Since the date of my last annual report, seventy-four townships north of the third correction line, in the southern peninsula of Michigan, have been surveyed, and the returns thereof received at this office. The plats and descriptive notes of these have been prepared, and copies thereof, as well as of those mentioned in my last year's report, have been made and transmitted to the General Land Office, and to the registers of the proper district land offices.

The survey of the thirteen townships near Little Traverse bay, in Mr. Cathcart's contract of August 11, 1840, has been unavoidably delayed by his other public engagements, but his returns of the survey are now daily looked for.

There will then remain but twenty-three townships unsurveyed in the southern peninsula, which, but for the limited amount of surveys ordered, would have been subdivided last year.

In my supplemental report of the 26th of November last, I advised you of the receipt of Mr. Burt's survey of the exterior township lines in the upper peninsula, embraced in his contract of January 15, 1840. On the 1st of April last, I contracted with Mr. Burt for the survey of the township lines lying west of range eight west, north of the line between townships forty-two and forty-three, and east of the Chocolate and Esconawba rivers, ordered for survey by your instruction of the 6th August, 1840. Mr. Burt has been faithfully engaged on this work since early in the season, and is expected to complete and make return thereof in the course of next month. A diagram of the survey of about half of his contract was received from him a few weeks since, which is shown on the skeleton maps of the upper peninsula, accompanying this report.

During the year ending on the 30th September last, we have transcribed, for preservation at the seat of Government, the field notes of five hundred and ninety-two townships, covering twenty thousand eight hundred and

forty-six pages of large, heavy cap paper, and making forty-three volumes, which will soon be sent to the bindery to be bound. The transcripts of field notes spoken of in my last report have since been neatly and substantially bound in cloth, with Russia leather backs and corners. About thirty of these are yet to be indexed, after which the bound volumes will be transmitted to the General Land Office.

The surveys in Michigan are now far in advance of the settlements in the southern peninsula; and from the large amount of land there, now ready for market, and the diminished sales at the land offices, there does not appear to be any call for a further extension of the surveys at present. There are, however, some settlements in the upper peninsula, and, for their encouragement and extension, it may be necessary to survey a few townships in that quarter of the State. I recommend, then, that all that portion of this peninsula situate east of the ninth range west be subdivided in the ensuing year, or, at least, the townships and fractional townships along the lake coast and the straits of St. Mary, with the adjacent islands within our territorial limits. I submit, likewise, the expediency of extending the exterior township lines through the remainder of the peninsula, south of Mr. Burt's present contract, and east of the Esconawba river, and also the subdivision of a few townships, where the quality of the land or other inducements would be likely to invite settlers.

For making the surveys here proposed, I present the following estimate for the service of the year 1842 :

For surveys in Michigan in 1842.

For surveying exterior township lines	-	-	\$4,500
For subdividing 70 townships	-	-	13,500
Total	-	-	<u>\$18,000</u>

Should these surveys, or any part of them, be ordered, it will be important to the surveyors who may execute them, that instructions for the purpose be received early in the spring, so that they may be ready to proceed to the work at the opening of navigation on the lakes.

For the reasons given in my last annual report, (Senate document 61, page 47,) which reasons exist in equal force to the present time, I recommend an undiminished appropriation for clerk hire in this office. And, in addition to the arrears of office work therein referred to, it should have been mentioned that the connected maps of the surveys made within the last twelve years are yet to be prepared, both for this office and for the district land offices. For this branch of the service, therefore, I present the following estimate for the ensuing year :

For salaries and contingent expenses of the office.

For compensation of the surveyor general	-	\$2,000
For compensation to clerks, per act 9th May, 1836	-	6,300
For compensation to extra clerks to transcribe field notes	-	4,500
For stationery, printing, and postage	-	450
For office furniture	-	50

For office rent and fuel	-	-	-	-	\$375
For laborer (or messenger)	-	-	-	-	120
Total	-	-	-	-	<u>\$13,795</u>

Accompanying this report, I submit a general statement of receipts and disbursements for surveying for the year ending on the 30th September last, marked A ; the usual tabular statement of contracts, marked B ; and triplicate skeleton maps, showing the state of the work, &c., marked C C C.

As we have no skeleton maps of Ohio and Indiana, and that of Michigan embracing part of the State only, we have not the means of showing, on maps, the office work of recording and transcribing.

Very respectfully, sir, your obedient servant,

E. S. HAINES, *Surveyor General.*

Hon. E. M. HUNTINGTON,
Com'r Gen. Land Office, Washington.

A.

General statement of receipts and disbursements for surveying the public lands in the district comprising the States of Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan, for the year ending September 30, 1841.

RECEIPTS.

Cash received from Treasurer United States, 4th qr. 1840	-	-	-	-	\$11,000 00
Do. do. do. 1st qr. 1841	-	-	-	-	6,202 83
Do. do. do. 2d qr. 1841	-	-	-	-	5,000 00
Do. do. do. 3d qr. 1841	-	-	-	-	5,000 00
Total	-	-	-	-	<u>\$27,202 83</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash expended in 4th quarter 1840	-	-	\$10,694 63
Do. do. 1st quarter 1841	-	-	5,460 66
Do. do. 2d quarter 1841	-	-	4,997 45
Do. do. 3d quarter 1841	-	-	2,442 64
Balance to my credit, September 30, 1840	-	-	205 57
			<u>23,800 95</u>
Balance to credit of the United States	-	-	<u>3,401 88</u>

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Cincinnati, October 30, 1841.

E. S. HAINES, *Surveyor General.*

L A K E S U P E R I O R

NOTES

The proposed new Surveys are shaded red represented thus
 The lines drawn in black have been Surveyed and field notes returned.
 Townships marked S are subdivided and field notes returned.



C. SKETCH OF THE PUBLIC SURVEYS IN THE NORTH PART OF MICHIGAN

Scale 18 miles to an inch

W. J. Stone, St. Louis.

Tabular statement of contracts for surveying in the district comprising the States of Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan.

⁴ Date of contracts.	By whom.	Stato.	Time allowed.	Estimated miles in con- tract.	Price pr. mile.	Amount of contract.	Miles return- ed.	Miles relin- quished.	Paid in full.	Remarks on the state of the work in the field.
1840.			Mo.	M. C. L.						
January 15 -	William A. Burt -	Michigan	8½	801 64 15	\$4 25	\$3,407 65	-	-	\$3,407 65	Survey completed.
August 11 -	John Hodgson -	Do	4	770 52 77	2 75	2,119 29	-	-	2,119 29	Survey completed.
Do -	Sylvester Sibley -	Do	4	792 79 95	2 75	2,180 74	-	-	2,180 74	Survey completed.
Do -	Henry Brevoort, jr. -	Do	4	669 74 92	2 75	1,842 29	-	-	1,842 29	Survey completed.
Do -	James H. Mullett -	Do	4	727 17 66	2 75	1,999 83	-	-	1,999 83	Survey completed.
Do -	John Mullett -	Do	4	735 55 37	2 75	2,023 14	-	-	2,023 14	Survey completed.

These contracts
fully paid.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS, FOR THE AMOUNT OF WHICH THE OFFICE IS LIABLE.

1840.										
August 11 -	Chas. W. Cathcart -	Michigan*	4	660 00 00	2 75	1,815 00	-	-	-	In course of survey; returns expect- ed daily.
1841.										
April 1 -	William A. Burt -	Do	7	1,000 00 00	4 25	4,250 00	-	-	-	In course of survey; returns expect- ed in November.
						\$6,065 00				

* Townships 33 and 34 north, ranges 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8; and township 33 north, range 9 west.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Cincinnati, October 30, 1841.

E. S. HAINES, *Surveyor General.*

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Dubuque, October 16, 1841.

SIR: In compliance with the requisition of your "circular to the surveyors general" of September 18, 1841, I respectfully submit the following report upon the condition and progress of the surveys in this district, and on the internal operations of this office, accompanied by estimates for clerk hire and surveying, including incidental expenses for the service of the year 1842.

The unfinished surveys in Wiskonsan Territory at the time of the last annual report of my predecessor, also the tract ceded by the Stockbridge and Munsee Indians, have been completed. The plats and descriptive notes have been transmitted to the general and district land offices, amounting in all to 46 townships and fractional townships, making 2,459 miles, 28 chains, and 59 links, excepting the district embraced in the contract with Sprague and Mansfield, north of the Wiskonsan river, and east of the 4th principal meridian. Upon the return of the deputy surveyor who was instructed to make what was considered necessary corrections in said district, he reports that but nine of the townships of their surveys are passable, with his corrections, amounting to 292 miles, 5 chains, 91 links; the balance of the contract (five townships) has been rejected, and should be resurveyed.

The exterior township lines in the Sac and Fox cession of October 21, 1837, were put under contract shortly after the date of the last annual report, the surveys of which are completed, amounting to 619 miles, 77 chains, 37 links. The townships embraced in said surveys were put under contract by my predecessor, as will appear by the dates of the copies of the contracts returned to the General Land Office, making 55 townships for subdivision into sections; the field notes of 43 townships are returned, and 24 townships of the same are platted and copied, only wanting the meanders to be inserted on the margin of the plats, and the coloring, when they will be ready for transmission to the general and district land offices.

The whole number of townships and fractional townships transcribed in Wiskonsan Territory, for the General Land Office, is	407
And in Iowa Territory	148

Making, in all, transcribed	555
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The whole number of townships and fractional townships recorded in Wiskonsan Territory is	156
And in Iowa Territory	63

Making, in all, recorded	219
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The whole number of townships and fractional townships to be transcribed in Wiskonsan Territory, for the General Land Office, is	125
And in Iowa Territory	160

Making, in all, to be transcribed	285
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The whole number of townships and fractional townships to be recorded in Wiskonsan Territory is	-	-	-	376
And in Iowa Territory	-	-	-	245
Making, in all, to be recorded	-	-	-	<u>621</u>

As far as the general and district land offices have been furnished with township plats, the descriptive notes of the same have also been furnished.

With respect to the present townships under contract, or lately surveyed, there remain 39 townships to be platted, and copied in duplicate, in the two Territories; also, the descriptive notes of 69 townships, in triplicate.

In relation to new surveys, I would respectfully recommend an appropriation for the subdivision into sections the townships north of the Wisconsin river, the township lines of which are already run, amounting to about 30 full townships. An appropriation for the survey of the "500,000 acre tract" was asked for by my predecessor, in his last annual report, (as well as by his predecessor in his report the year previous,) also for the survey of the fractional townships' lines bordering upon the Mississippi river, as far as the falls of St. Anthony, and the extension of the second correction line west to the Mississippi, with subdivision of about 12 townships, having proper regard for those most important and needed. Whether the sum for the latter objects has been appropriated or not, this office has not yet been apprized; if not appropriated, I would repeat the recommendation of an appropriation necessary to carry it into effect. I am prompted to do so from the fact that the most valuable pine lands upon the Chippewa and St. Croix rivers are fast being stripped of the timber, and rapidly becoming less valuable to the Government, and in a short time will be comparatively valueless, and scarcely worth the attention of purchasers, their principal value consisting in the pine timber which grows upon them. It is also highly important to have a correct knowledge of the course and distance of the Mississippi river, and to have a base to make any further surveys in the most valuable pineries at a future day. To the Government, the settlers, and to this whole section of country, it is of very great importance that this section of country should be surveyed without delay, and the lands brought into market at the earliest day possible.

This office not having been apprized of any appropriation being assigned to it for the surveys heretofore recommended, or for extra clerks, to be compensated by the word or plat, &c., I have therefore to estimate For the surveys of about 30 full townships north of the Wisconsin river - - - - - \$5,000 00

For surveys in the "500,000 acre tract:"

Township lines and subdivisions of 2,068 miles	-	-	6,200 00
Township lines and subdivisions upon the Mississippi	-	-	4,700 00
Stationery, printing, binding, and postage	-	-	800 00
For office rent and fuel, per act of June 12, 1838, with a proposed increase of \$150	-	-	500 00

17,200 00

With this you will receive tabular statement marked A, exhibiting the condition of the disbursement account for the past year; tabular statement marked B, exhibiting the contracts which have been completed; and tabular statement C, exhibiting the condition of contracts not settled, together with triplicate skeleton maps of Wiskonsan and Iowa Territories. The tracts recommended for survey in Wiskonsan Territory are shaded in lake red; and those contracts in this surveying district which are under contract, and of which the field notes are not yet returned to this office, or those rejected, are shaded in yellow on their respective diagrams.

The department will pardon me for soliciting attention to a subject referred to by my predecessor in his last annual report, and one which had been previously commended to the attention of the public authorities in a communication by E. S. Haines, Esq., the surveyor general northwest of the Ohio. It regards the salary of the surveyor general of this district.

In addition to the reasons before assigned for increasing the salary \$500 per annum, I would respectfully ask the department and Congress to consider the following :

By reference to the 3d section of the act of Congress of the 12th June, A. D. 1838, entitled "An act to create the office of surveyor of public lands in the Wiskonsan Territory," (pamphlet laws, 2d session, 23d Congress, page 70,) it will appear that the surveyor to be appointed under that act was to be allowed an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and also to be allowed the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars per annum for office rent and fuel, and other incidental expenses of his office, &c. At the time of the passage of the said act of June 12, 1838, every other surveyor general in the public service was allowed an annual salary of two thousand dollars; but no other surveyor general was entitled to any allowance for office rent, fuel, and other incidental expenses, by any then existing law. The allowance of the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars for office rent, &c., when this office was established, was undoubtedly intended by Congress to make the compensation of the surveyor general of the district equal with his compeers. No one can believe for a moment that Congress intended to make a distinction in the compensation of officers of like grade, charged with like duties, required to execute like trusts, and subject to like responsibilities. The allowance of the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, as I firmly believe, did not entirely effect the object of equalising the compensation; but, inasmuch as that was the obvious and honest intention of Congress, the surveyor of this district had no great cause of complaint. If, however, the compensation approximated nearly to equality under former laws, there can be no pretence that any thing like equality now exists.

In the appropriation act of March 3, A. D. 1841, (pamphlet laws, 2d session 26th Congress, page 29,) is the following clause: "For surveying the public lands, in addition to the unexpended balances of former appropriations, to be apportioned to the several surveying districts, according to the exigencies of the public service, *including office rent and fuel*, for the year eighteen hundred and forty-one, fifty-five thousand dollars." Under the clause *including office rent and fuel*, the late Commissioner of the General Land Office did, very properly, address a circular, dated June 3, 1841, to the surveyors general of the several districts, requiring statements of the actual expense of office rent and fuel at their respective offices, that the same might be considered and provided for in the appor-

tionment of said appropriation, and the assignment of the proportionate sums to the several offices. It is clear that the surveyor general of this district derives not the least benefit from that clause in the act of the 3d of March, 1841.

Provision had been already made for the payment of the office rent, fuel, and other incidental expenses of the office, by a previously existing law, and the salary of his office had been fixed at a less sum in consequence.

The operation of the act of the 3d of March, 1841, gives absolutely to the surveyors general of the other districts five hundred dollars more annual salary than to the surveyor general of this district, without any equivalent whatever. I would respectfully ask, upon what ground or argument this disparity of compensation can be justified? Is it because the general expenses of living, house rent, fuel, clothing, &c., are cheaper here than at other places where the offices of surveyors general were established? Is it because the facilities for educating a family of children here are greater than at other places where like offices are situated; or is it because the duties, requirements, and responsibilities of this office are less? If an argument should be attempted on any of these grounds, let me say that it cannot be sustained, upon an investigation of the facts. I can discover no good reason for the disparity, and must entertain the belief that Congress will regard it as a measure of justice, to fix the compensation of the surveyor general of this district at the same sum allowed other officers of like grade.

I must again urge upon the department and upon Congress the necessity of increasing the sum heretofore allowed to the draughtsman and clerk in this office, by the sum of four hundred dollars. The chief clerk, who performs the duty of principal draughtsman, has been allowed a salary of twelve hundred dollars per annum, ever since the establishment of the office. Sixteen hundred dollars has been the annual allowance to both, from which sum deducting the salary of the chief clerk, it leaves but \$400 for the assistant draughtsman, or clerk, a sum entirely inadequate to his support. The assistant draughtsman, or clerk, who has heretofore well performed the duties of the office, has found it necessary to decline—preferring employment by the word, or plat, at the rate of compensation allowed for that service, rather than hold the office of assistant draughtsman, or clerk, at the annual salary of four hundred dollars. The sum of eight hundred dollars would be no more than a reasonable salary, and the public service requires that provision be made therefor at the ensuing session of Congress.

The great amount of unfinished work transferred from the office at Cincinnati to this office, at the time of its establishment, and the very small amounts that have been annually assigned to this office for the compensation of clerks, has left the office work here lamentably behindhand, as appears by the foregoing statement. The public exigencies require that the transcribing, recording, and platting the work still behind, should be brought up as speedily as it can be conveniently and economically done. Should Congress make the appropriations, and the department assign to this office the sums stated in the following estimates for the purpose specified, I think the work could be brought up in one year from this time, and not at an earlier day. Therefore, I would respectfully submit the following estimate for the year 1842 :

For the salary of the surveyor general, per act of 12th June, 1838, and a proposed increase of \$500	-	-	-	\$2,000 00
For two clerks in his office, per act of 12th June, 1838, and a proposed increase of \$400	-	-	-	2,000 00
For extra clerks, to record field notes, making descriptive notes, and copying plats, &c., and to be compensated by the word or plat, &c.	-	-	-	5,500 00
For extra clerks to transcribe field notes for preservation at the seat of Government, in addition to the unexpended balance of former appropriations	-	-	-	1,000 00
Total	-	-	-	<u>\$10,500 00</u>

JAMES WILSON,
Surveyor General.

Hon. E. M. HUNTINGTON,
Commissioner of General Land Office, Washington.

A.

General statement of the receipts and disbursements for surveying the public lands in the district comprising the Territories of Wisconsin and Iowa, for the year ending September 30, 1841.

RECEIPTS,

As appears by the accounts of my predecessor up to the 30th June, 1841:

Balance to the credit of the United States, September 30, 1840	\$4,633 50
Cash received from the Treasurer of the United States in the first quarter of 1841	-
Total	<u>9,633 50</u>

DISBURSEMENTS,

As appears by the accounts of my predecessor up to the 30th June, 1841, and my own account for the third quarter of 1841:

Cash expended in the fourth quarter of 1840	\$1,873 28
Cash expended in the first quarter of 1841	3,525 40
Cash expended in the second quarter of 1841	4,582 49
Cash expended in the third quarter of 1841	103 10
	<u>10,084 27</u>
Excess of disbursements over the receipts	<u>\$450 77</u>

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, DUBUQUE, October 16, 1841.

JAMES WILSON, *Surveyor General.*

B.

Tabular statement of contracts for surveying in the district comprising the Territories of Wisconsin and Iowa, which have been completed and paid for, as appears by the accounts of my predecessor.

Date of contract.	By whom surveyed.	Territory.	Whole number of miles.			Amount paid in full.	Remarks.
			M.	Ch.	Lk.		
October 24, 1839	William A. Burt -	Wisconsin	576	67	94	\$2,307 39	For running township lines north of the Wisconsin river.
January 29, 1840	Benj. H. Edgerton -	Do. -	753	74	60	2,086 92	For subdividing townships into sections west of Green Bay.
February 4, 1840	Orson Lyon -	Do. -	605	72	53	1,666 24	For subdividing townships into sections west of the fourth principal meridian, and north of the Wisconsin river.
May 5, 1840 -	Ellis and Giddings -	Do. -	437	12	37	1,202 17	For subdividing townships into sections west of Green Bay.
October 16, 1840	Uriah Biggs -	Iowa -	318	74	11	1,116 24	For running township lines in the Sac and Fox cession of October 21, 1837.
October 16, 1840	George W. Harrison	Do. -	301	03	26	1,053 64	For running township lines in the Sac and Fox cession of October 21, 1837.
			2,993	64	81	\$9,432 60	

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, DUBUQUE, October 16, 1841.

JAMES WILSON, *Surveyor General.*

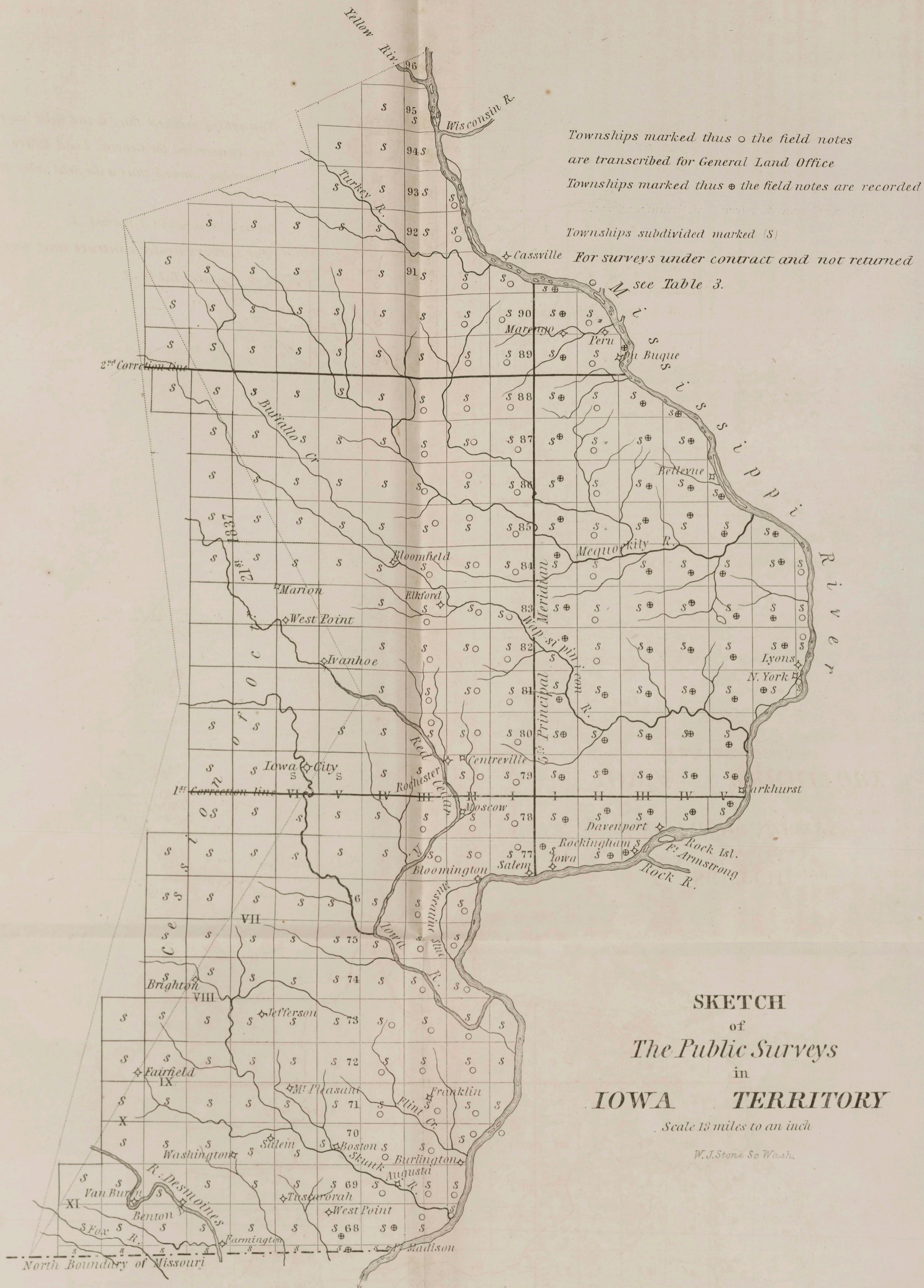
C.

Tabular statement of contracts for surveying in the district comprising the Territories of Wisconsin and Iowa.

Date of contracts.	By whom surveyed.	Territory.	Time allowed, in months.	Estimated No. of miles in contract.	Price per mile.	Estimated amount of contract.	No. miles returned in part.	No. of miles returned in full.	Amount paid in part.	Amount of surveys returned.	Remarks.
1839.								M. C. L.			
Dec. 30	Sprague & Mansfield -	Wis.	5	500	275	\$1,375	-	232 05 91	\$797 49	\$803 20	Five townships rejected; 292 miles, 5 chains, 91 links are the balance of contract, but not entirely platted. The funds were paid by my predecessor.
1840.											
Oct. 24	John Bannister -	"	1½	76	300	228	-	85 41 15	-	256 54	Survey completed.
April 1	Hugill & Freeman -	Iowa	3½	302	275	830½	-	300 38 95	-	826 34	Field notes returned to this office, but not platted.
April 1	Wittse & Shannon -	"	3½	360	275	990	-	358 75 19	-	987 08	Field notes returned to this office and platted.
April 1	Wm. L. D. Ewing -	"	3½	300	275	825	-	298 44 52	-	821 03	Field notes returned to this office and platted.
April 1	Foley & McDonald -	"	3½	340	275	935	-	339 52 59	-	934 06	Field notes returned to this office and platted, except one township.
April 1	Thomas C. Child -	"	4	360	275	990	-	361 17 41	-	993 35	Field notes returned to this office and platted.
May 18	Whitesides & Campbell	"	3½	330	275	907	-	-	-	-	Field notes not returned to this office.
May 18	Thomas M. Weldon -	"	3½	367	275	1,010	-	404 74 76	-	1,113 56	Field notes returned to this office and platted, except one township.
May 18	Moses Vilas -	"	3½	300	275	825	-	296 64 77	-	816 23	Field notes returned to this office, but not platted.
May 18	Wm. P. Hull -	"	3½	360	275	990	-	298 60 26	-	821 57	Field notes returned to this office, but not platted.
June 9	Garret Vleit -	"	4½	363½	275	1,000	-	-	-	-	Surveys progressing in the field.
Date of special instructions.											
1840.											
Jan. 9	John Bannister -	Wis.	-	-	300	-	-	6 08 42	-	18 31	Survey of two islands in Fox lake, township 13 north, range 13 east, 4th mer.; completed.
Feb. 7	Wm. A. Burt -	"	-	-	300	-	-	6 46 37	-	19 74	Resurvey of section 1, township 1 north, range 5 east, 4th mer.; completed.
				3,958½		\$10,905½		3,046 50 30	797 49	8,411 01	

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, DUBUQUE, October 16, 1841.

JAMES WILSON, *Surveyor General.*



SKETCH
of
The Public Surveys
in
IOWA TERRITORY

Scale 18 miles to an inch

W. J. Stone Sc Wash.

NOTES.

The lines drawn in Black, are those which have been surveyed and returned. The dotted Township lines, on the Mississippi river recommended for survey and a portion thereof to be sectioned.

Townships marked S, are surveyed and field notes returned.

Townships marked thus ○ the field notes are transcribed for General Land Office. Townships marked thus * the field notes are recorded.

Fortlands under contract and those recommended for survey in 1842, see Tables 1 and 2.

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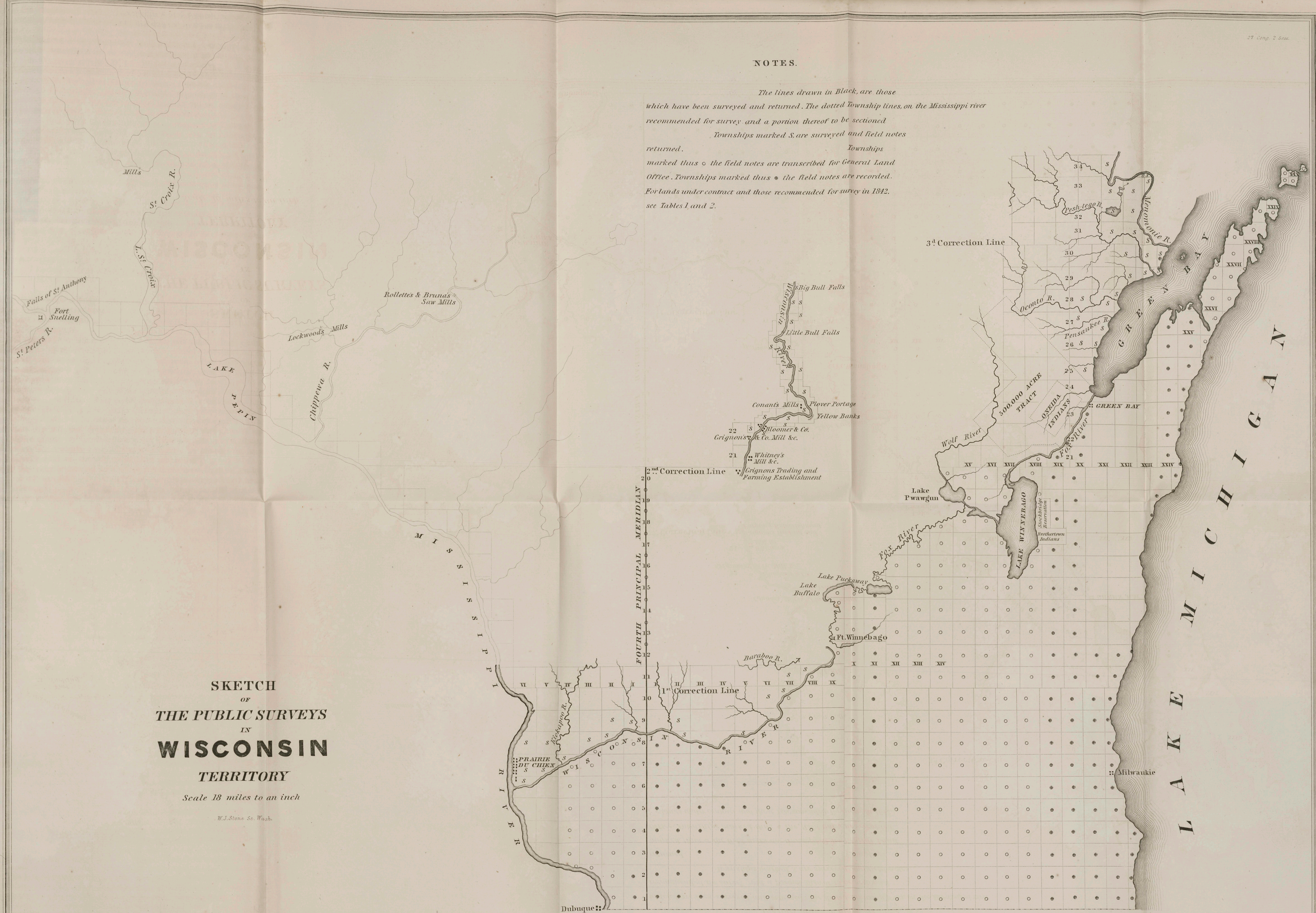


TABLE I—Being a list of the townships and fractional townships situated in Wiskonsan, under contract for subdivision for market.

North of the Wiskonsan river : Townships 8 and 9 north, range 1 east ; township 8 north, ranges 3 and 4 east ; and township 9 north, ranges 5, 6, and 7, east.

TABLE II—Being a list of townships and fractional townships situated in Wiskonsan, recommended for survey into sections in 1842.

North of the Wiskonsan river, in the Winnebago cession : Townships 10 and 11 north, ranges 1 and 2 west ; townships 9, 10, and 11, north, ranges 3, 4, 5, and 6, west ; townships 10 and 11 north, range 7 west ; townships 10 and 11 north, ranges 1 and 2 east ; townships 9, 10, and 11, north, ranges 3 and 4 east ; townships 10 and 11 north, range 5 east ; township 11 north, range 6 east.

Northwest of Fox river, in the Menomonie cessions : Township 21 north, range 14 west ; townships 21 and 22 north, ranges 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19, west ; township 22 north, range 20 west ; townships 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28, north, range 17 west ; townships 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27, north, ranges 18 and 19 west ; townships 23, 24, and 25, north, range 20 west ; and

The township lines dotted on the map on the Mississippi river, a portion to be subdivided into sections.

TABLE III—Being a list of townships under contract for survey in Iowa, the field notes of which are not returned or not completed, situated north of Iowa city, in the Sac and Fox cession of 1837 : Townships 81, 82, and 83, north, ranges 5, 6, 7, and 8, west ; and township 80 north, range 6 west.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, ST. LOUIS,

October 27, 1841.

SIR : In compliance with the instructions contained in your circular of the 18th of September last, to surveyors general, I submit to you the following report on the operations of this office during the year ending on the 30th of September.

The field notes of the surveys contracted for last year, which contracts were included in the report of the 1st of October of that year, have all been returned, and, with some slight exceptions, approved. One contract only has since been entered into for surveys in the southeastern corner of the State of Missouri ; which surveys have been in part returned.

Including the plats of the above surveys, all of which have been constructed, there remain in the office eighty-two plats of townships in Illinois, and ninety-one plats of townships in Missouri, ready for transmission to the general and district land offices, as soon as the surveys shall have been paid for, and the required certificates written thereon and authenticated. The aggregate number of acres covered by these one hundred and seventy-three newly surveyed townships, and which may be proclaimed for sale within a short period, is about three millions and a half.

During the year embraced by this report, there were transmitted to the district land offices of Illinois sixty plats of townships, embracing 1,087,392 acres of land ; and plats of fifty-eight of these townships, and of seventy-six townships in Missouri, embracing 1,416,813 acres, were forwarded to-

the General Land Office. These Missouri plats were sent to the registers, except thirty-one in the Platte purchase, for which no land office is yet established.

Thirty plats of old surveyed townships (twenty-two in Illinois and eight in Missouri) have also been sent to the General Land Office, in compliance with its requests; and other plats of a similar nature required of late from this office are nearly completed, and will be forwarded to the department so soon as they are examined and authenticated.

One hundred and eighty-eight plats, containing four hundred and twenty tracts, subdivided under the laws of the 24th April, 1820, and 5th April, 1832, have been sent to the General Land Office. Such of these subdivisions as were in the district land offices have been also transmitted to the registers. The remaining work of this nature, asked for by your office, is now in progress.

Four hundred and eight letters, reports, statements, &c., have been recorded during the year in the letter books, occupying two hundred and sixty-nine pages of large foolscap paper.

Nine plats and descriptions of the surveys of private confirmed claims have been recorded in the books kept for that purpose.

Indexes to original notes of surveys have been made to a certain extent; they are now discontinued; but it is my intention to resume this useful work as soon as the press of business will allow it.

There have been copied for transmission to the seat of Government the field notes of one hundred and twenty-nine townships in Missouri and three hundred eighty-nine townships in Illinois, including their exterior boundary lines; nine volumes of copies (Nos. 25 to 33, of the Illinois series) were transmitted to the General Land Office; sixty-six volumes remain in the office. Of these, forty-five are neither compared nor indexed. The small amount of the appropriation for this part of the service left unexpended on this day imposes on me the necessity of dismissing the clerks engaged in it.

Of the three hundred and thirty-four private tracts confirmed by the act of Congress of the 4th of July, 1836, (and for the survey of which \$17,500 were appropriated at the session of 1836-'7,) one hundred and ninety-five are surveyed. One hundred and eighty plats were constructed for the use of this office. The plats and descriptions of the surveys of nine claims *only* are recorded. Five certificates of new location were issued, in pursuance of the provisions of the second section of the act aforesaid; and the surveying already paid for out of the \$17,500 amounts to \$5,854 54. I have embraced in this statement all which has been done in this branch of the service, on account of the difficulty of separating from the whole the actual operations of a single year.

Under the appropriations for surveying towns in Missouri, the towns of St. Genevieve and New Bourbon, and most of the out-lots and common fields belonging to them, have been surveyed since the last annual report from this office, and the field notes returned. That work, which has been suspended since last March, will speedily be resumed. The existing appropriations for this service will suffice for the ensuing year. It is my intention, as early as practicable, to go into an examination of these most tedious and difficult surveys, so far as they have been executed.

A small portion of the surveying recommended by Surveyor General Milburn to be executed at six dollars per mile, and for which Congress at

its last regular session appropriated \$3,000, has been authorized by Surveyor General Reed. The files do not show that this officer received special instructions therefor; but it appears from the records that he assumed this course with a view to comply with the pressing demands of the citizens residing on the land ordered to be surveyed, which lies in the military tract of Illinois, and also on account of the unusual low stage of the Mississippi river at the present time. I respectfully call your attention to the subject of these long-delayed, unfinished surveys, the completion of which is an object of urgent utility.

I do not judge it proper to ask for other surveys of public lands than those recommended in former reports from this office, and which are not yet executed. The amount estimated for last year in Missouri was \$22,728; which estimate I renew for the year 1842, including in it the part coming to this office out of the \$55,000 appropriated at the last session of Congress for surveying the public lands, and to be apportioned to the several districts.

It is found that the clerical force of this office is entirely inadequate to the duties to be performed, and that the arrearages of business are increasing. For the last six or seven years the descriptive notes (which should constitute a part of the figurative plats of each respective township, showing the quality of the soil, the face of the country, and descriptions of the lines and corners of the surveys) have been entirely omitted, although required by law to be made; and, in consequence of their omission, the current business of the office is greatly retarded by the many calls which are made for such field notes. These notes will all have to be constructed in triplicate from the field notes.

Very little has been accomplished during the year past towards recording the plats and descriptions of the surveys of claims confirmed in 1836 in Missouri; nor will it be possible to do much the ensuing year, unless an appropriation be made for clerks to be specially employed in this business.

A clerk will be wanted to record the plats of the surveys, which are in the office, of the towns in Missouri.

On account of the large amount of field notes of public surveys in the office, which remain to be copied for transmission to the seat of Government, I deem it expedient to ask, for the transcribing of these notes during the next year, an appropriation which may enable me to prosecute actively that part of the service.

Therefore, in view of these considerations, I submit the following estimate for the expenditures of the year 1842 :

For surveying the public lands, including the amount coming to this office out of the \$55,000 appropriated by Congress on the 3d of March, 1841 - - - - - \$22,728 00

Salaries and contingent expenses of the office.

Salary of the surveyor general - - - - -	2,000 00
Salary of clerks, as per act of the 9th of May, 1836 - - -	3,820 00
Extra clerks, to be paid out of the appropriation for extra clerks to the several surveyors general's offices - - -	2,000 00
Additional clerks to bring up the arrears of making the triplicate descriptive notes of townships from the field notes of surveys - - - - -	3,000 00

Two clerks to prepare and record the plats and descriptions of the surveys confirmed by the act of Congress of the 4th of July, 1836, and prepare the plats and calculate the area of the fractions of adjoining sections, for this office and the general and district land offices - - - -	\$1,800 00
One clerk, to prepare and record the plats and descriptions of the surveys of the town lots, out lots, and common field lots, which are returned to the office as executed, under the appropriation of the 6th of April, 1838 - -	900 00
Additional clerks for transcribing the field notes for transmission to the seat of Government - - - -	4,500 00
Stationery - - - - -	400 00
Binding field notes, and township and other plats - -	400 00
Postage, and expenses connected therewith - -	350 00
Office rent - - - - -	470 00
Fuel - - - - -	130 00
Wages of a laborer, who will also act as a watch against fire during all times of absence of the clerks from the office -	200 00
54 portable cases for the records, in case of fire - -	278 00
4 coal stoves and their appurtenances - - - -	100 00
Furniture of the office - - - - -	50 00
Total - - - -	<u>\$43,126 00</u>

I transmit with this report the following documents :

A statement (marked A) of the surveying disbursement in this district during the year ending on the 30th of September, 1841.

A statement (marked B) showing the condition of the contracts for surveying, with this office, which were not completed on the 1st of October, 1840 ; and also the amount of funds, as near as can be ascertained, which will be wanted to pay for the surveys included in those contracts.

Three diagrams of the State of Illinois, and three diagrams of the State of Missouri, showing the surveys made during the year, and indicating by red lines those recommended in Missouri for the year 1842.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOS. C. BROWN,

*Surveyor of the Public Lands for the
District of Illinois and Missouri.*

E. M. HUNTINGTON, Esq.,

Commissioner of the General Land Office, City of Washington.

A.

[Accompanying report of the 27th of October, 1841.]

General statement of receipts and disbursements for surveying the public lands in the States of Illinois and Missouri, for the year ending on the 30th of September, 1841.

General surveying appropriation.

Receipts—Balance due the United States on the 30th September, 1840 -	-	-	-	-	\$4,735 04
Fourth quarter of 1840, cash received from the Treasurer -	-	-	-	-	10,000 00
First quarter of 1841	do.	do.	do.	do.	7,570 28
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					22,305 32

Disbursements—Expended during the fourth quarter of 1840 -	-	-	-	\$13,505 05
Expended during the first quarter of 1841 -	-	-	-	5,002 92
Expended during the second quarter of 1841	-	-	-	1,927 84
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				20,435 81

Balance in favor of the United States on the 30th June, 1841 - 1,869 51

Special appropriation of \$17,500, by act of Congress of the 3d of March, 1837, for surveying towns, &c., in Missouri, not exceeding five dollars per mile.

Receipts—Balance due the United States on the 30th September, 1840 -	-	-	-	\$3,352 22
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Disbursements—Expended during the 4th quarter of 1840	- \$1,246 94	
Expended during the 1st quarter of 1841	- 169 63	
Expended during the 2d quarter of 1841	- 115 44	
	<hr/>	1,532 01

Balance in favor of the United States on the 30th June, 1841 - 1,820 21

Special appropriation of \$6,000, by act of Congress of the 6th of April, 1838, for surveys in Missouri, in the towns named in the act of 26th of May, 1824.

Received in cash from the Treasurer -	-	-	\$2,000 00
Expended in cash -	-	-	1,219 17
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Balance in favor of the United States on the 30th June, 1841 - 780 83

Aggregate balance in favor of the United States, under the several appropriations, on the 30th June, 1841, there having been no receipts or disbursements during the 3d quarter of 1841 - 4,470 55

This balance of \$4,470 55 was reduced as follows :

By the salary of the surveyor general, and compensation to his clerks, for the 4th quarter of 1840, which was carried to his credit in his account for disbursement for surveying, by counter-warrant, (see letter of the Commissioner, of the 15th May, 1841)	\$3,108 16
By the salary of the surveyor general, during the 1st quarter of 1841, brought to his credit for surveying disbursements, by counter-warrant, (see letter of the Commissioner of 15th July, 1841)	500 00
By advances made to the deputy surveyors, in part payment of their surveying accounts, for which the field notes had been examined and approved	490 00
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	\$4,098 16
Leaving an actual balance, in cash, of	<hr/> <hr/> \$372 39

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, ST. LOUIS,

October 27, 1841.

JOS. C. BROWN,

*Surveyor of the Public Lands for the
District of Illinois and Missouri.*

B.

[Referred to in the report of the 27th of October, 1841.]

Statement of contracts for surveying in the States of Illinois and Missouri, which had not been fully paid for, or rejected, on the 1st of October, 1840, the date of the last annual report from this office.

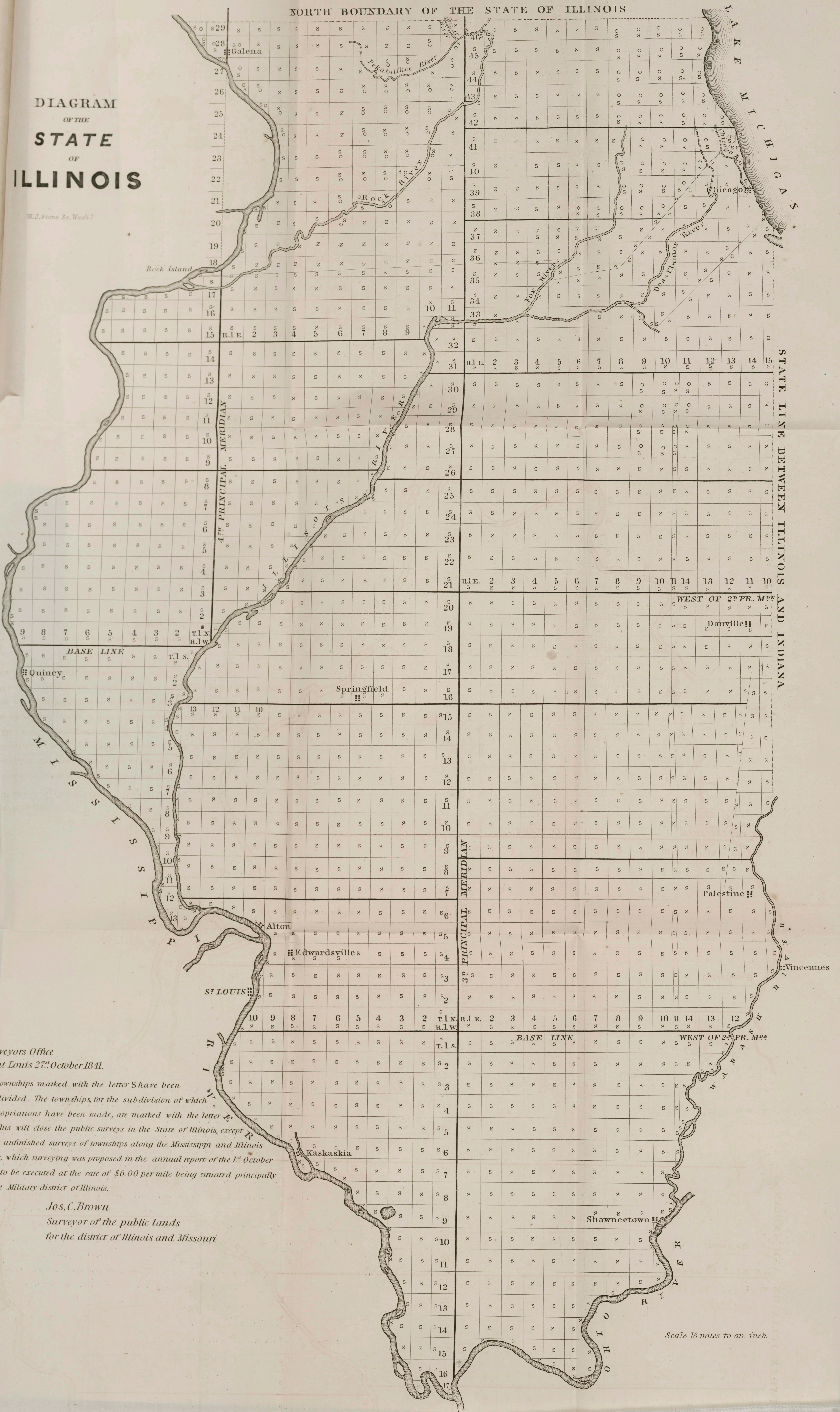
Date of contracts.	Names of contractors.	Months allowed.	Estimated number of miles.	Price per mile.	Estimated amount.	Whole amount of surveys returned.	Suspended surveys, included in amount returned.	Miles relinquished.	Amount paid, for which regular vouchers had not been taken.	Amount paid, and regular vouchers taken.	Estimated amt. wanted to complete the payments on the unfinished contracts.	Remarks on the work, &c., returns.
	ILLINOIS.				Dols.	Mi. chs. lks.	Mi. chs. lks.		D. cts.	Dols. cts.	Dols. cts.	
May 8 & June 2, 1837.	Eli S. Prescott	12	-	\$3 -	882 52 56	-	-	-	-	2,619 46	28 51	Surveys approved.
Sept. 9, 1837	E. C. Berry	12	600	3 1,800	-	-	-	-	-	1,079 10	-	Surveys completed by G. W. Harrison, approved, and paid for.
Dec. 8, 1835	C. R. Bennet	3	-	3 -	66 20 70	-	-	-	-	187 19	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
May 6, 1839	C. R. Bennet	12	-	3 -	810 53 62	-	-	-	-	2,432 01	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 21, 1839	James Thompson & J. P. Thompson.	6	-	3 -	547 34 92	-	-	-	-	1,633 38	3 07	Surveys completed and approved.
Sept. 21, 1839	W. L. D. Ewing	6	548	3 1,644	-	-	-	-	-	1,511 31	682 93	Surveys completed, approved, and in part paid for.
Sept. 21, 1839	G. W. Harrison	6	500	3 1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 23, 1839	William Gordon	6	360	3 1,080	-	-	-	-	-	548 29	540 00	Three townships remain to be paid for, the field notes of which require correction.
Sept. 23, 1839	John A. Clarke	6	360	3 1,080	-	-	-	-	-	1,064 10	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 23, 1839	John D. Whitesides and Jacob Judy.	6	360	3 1,080	-	-	-	-	-	1,180 89	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 21, 1839	D. A. Spaulding	6	-	3 -	683 68 83	-	-	-	50 00	1,633 51	363 06	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for in part.
Feb. 15, 1840	D. A. Spaulding	6	-	3 -	203 47 83	-	-	-	-	532 22	77 47	Surveys completed, approved, and in part paid for.
Feb. 21, 1840	John Frierson	6	200	3 600	55 12 10	-	-	145	-	-	165 45	Surveys approved.
Sept. 1, 1840	D. A. Spaulding	4	-	3 -	375 17 28	-	-	-	-	-	1,125 64	Surveys completed and approved.
Sept. 12, 1840	John Milton Moore	4	378	3 1,134	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,200 00	Surveys completed and approved.

STATEMENT B—Continued.

Date of contract.	Names of contractors.	Months allowed.	Estimated number of miles.	Price per mile.	Estimated amount.	Whole amount of surveys returned.	Suspended surveys, included in amount returned.	Miles relinquished.	Amount paid, for which regular vouchers had not been taken.	Amount paid, and regular vouchers taken.	Estimated amt's wanted to complete the payments on the unfinished contracts.	Remarks on the work, &c., returns.
	ILLINOIS—cont'd.					Mi. chs. lks.	Mi. chs. lks.		D. cts.	Dols. cts.	Dols. cts.	
Sept. 12, 1840	John D. Whitesides and Jacob Judy.	4	360	3	1,080	-	-	-	200 00	-	901 00	Not finally disposed of. The field notes are in the office.
Sept. 12, 1840	Enoch Moore	4	320	3	960	-	-	-	-	-	927 00	Suspended.
Sept. 18, 1840	James Thompson & J. P. Thompson.	4	-	3	-	894 42 54	-	-	-	-	2,483 59	Surveys completed and approved.
Sept. 19, 1840	Ignatius Sprigg	4	320	3	960	-	-	-	-	-	1,098 00	Not finally disposed of.
Oct. 6, 1840	Charles R. Bennet	4	-	3	-	310 12 27	-	-	-	-	930 46	Surveys completed and approved.
Without contract.	J. H. Rees, for Eli S. Prescott.	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	900 00	Surveys not authorized by this office, but received in the office for examination upon their own merits, under authority of a letter from Com'r of General Land Office, dated 5th June, 1840. They embrace township 37 N., ranges 4 to 8 E. of 3d principal meridian. The field notes are examined, and require some corrections.
	MISSOURI.											
Oct. 12, 1833	Elias Barcroft	10	690	3	2,070	708 27 23	78 66 24	-	-	1,924 29	198 00	The south boundary of townships 38 and 39 N., range 20 W., to be resurveyed. Said S. boundary, and E. boundary of townships 35 to 39, range 20 W., and S. boundary of townships 36 to 39 N., range 19 W., to be paid for.
Dec. 11, 1834	E. T. Christy	12	774	3	2,322	-	-	-	-	1,723 04	-	This contract has been completed by D. Miller.
April 3, 1835	E. C. McDonald	12	762	3	2,286	777 62 23	-	-	-	2,054 16	-	This contract has been completed by D. Miller.
April 3, 1835	Erskine Stansbury	12	791	3	2,373	686 45 90	108 06 51	-	-	1,635 48	-	Surveys completed by William Shields.
Oct. 21, 1837	J. H. Burckhart	12	462	3	1,386	-	-	-	200 00	-	-	See Chas. de Ward's contract, to whom Burckhart's was transferred.
May 4, 1837	James Reid	4	-	3	-	171 02 02	-	-	390 00	-	123 07	Surveys approved.

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W.J. Stone Sc. Wash.



Surveyors Office
Saint Louis 27th October 1841.

The townships marked with the letter S have been subdivided. The townships, for the subdivision of which appropriations have been made, are marked with the letter Z. This will close the public surveys in the State of Illinois, except some unfinished surveys of townships along the Mississippi and Illinois rivers, which surveying was proposed in the annual report of the 1st October 1840 to be executed at the rate of \$6.00 per mile being situated principally in the Military district of Illinois.

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DIAGRAM OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

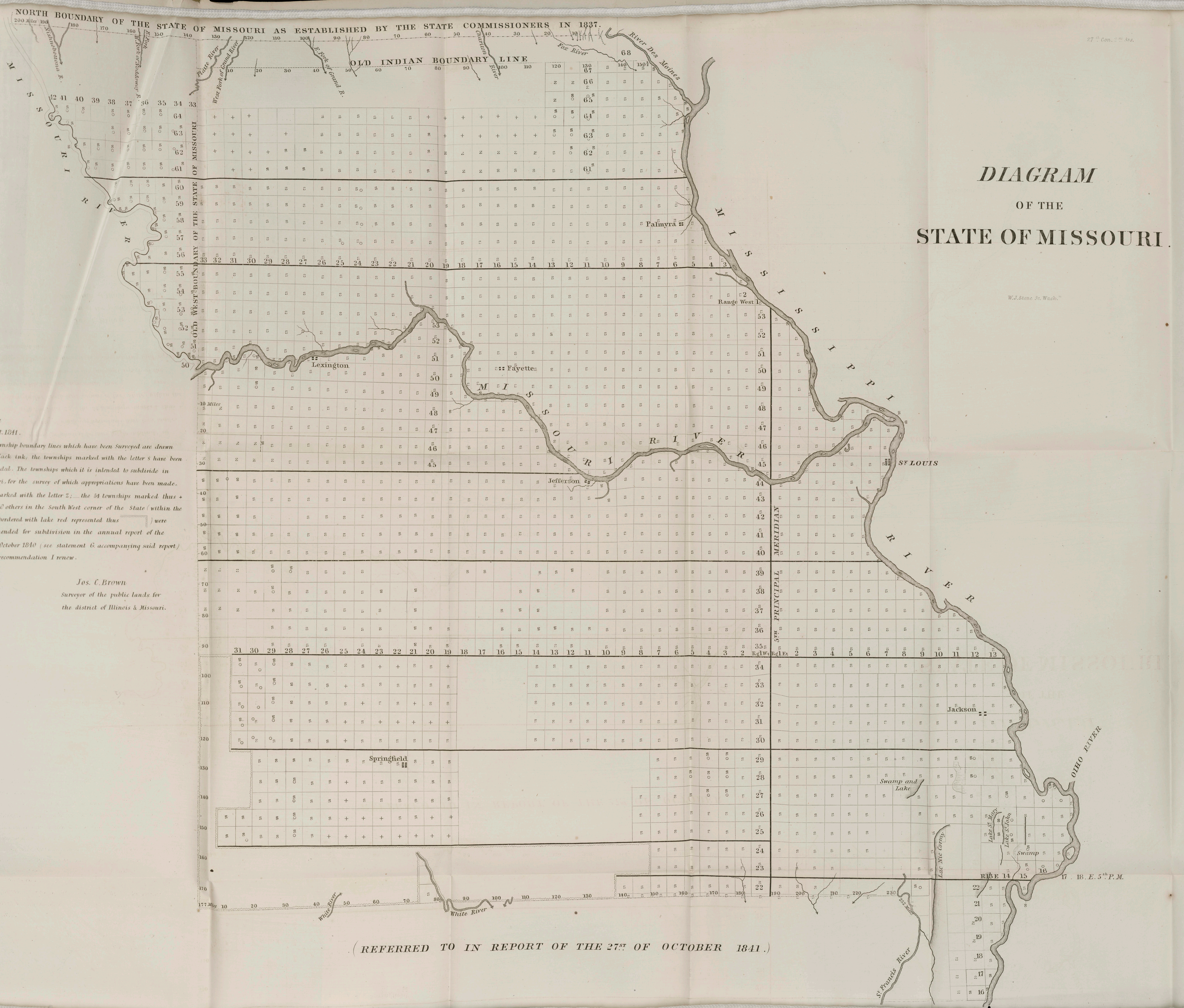
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The Township boundary lines which have been Surveyed are drawn with black ink; the townships marked with the letter S have been subdivided. The townships which it is intended to subdivide in Missouri, for the survey of which appropriations have been made, are marked with the letter Z; the 54 townships marked thus + and 50 others in the South West corner of the State (within the space bordered with lake red represented thus) were recommended for subdivision in the annual report of the 1st of October 1840 (see statement G accompanying said report) which recommendation I renew.

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(REFERRED TO IN REPORT OF THE 27th OF OCTOBER 1841.)



April 1, 1838	John Rodney	18 600	31,800	506	46	10	100	00	00	-	-	1,218 73	600 00	Not finally disposed of. Field notes returned to the office.
Feb. 21, 1838	H. W. Molder	15 133 1/2	3 400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Field notes returned to surveyor for correction.
April 23, 1839	Lisbon Applegate	9 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,040 74	1,075 32	Surveys completed and approved; in part paid for.
July 7, 1839	G. M. Wright	6 -	3 -	562	67	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,688 52	Surveys completed and approved.
Sept. 28, 1839	Rich'd T. Holliday	8 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,789 15	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 28, 1839	John M. Robinson	10 450	31,350	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	186 62	1,260 00	The survey of one township is paid for; the rest require some correction. Soon expected.
Mar. 17, 1840	Daniel Miller	6 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200 00	This surveying is under examination.
April 10, 1840	William Shields	8 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,328 00	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Mar. 11, 1840	Daniel G. Saunders	8 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,522 43	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Aug. 27, 1840	Lycurgus Shepard	4 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,239 91	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 2, 1840	William Monroe	3 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	184 01	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 9, 1840	F. A. Evans	4 -	3 -	362	39	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,087 47	Surveys completed and approved.
Sept. 11, 1840	Daniel Miller	4 -	3 -	222	41	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	667 54	Surveys completed and approved.
Sept. 15, 1840	Thomas Monroe	4 -	3 -	259	70	77	-	-	-	-	-	-	779 65	Surveys completed and approved.
Sept. 15, 1840	Jesse Applegate	4 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	926 13	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Sept. 15, 1840	Daniel G. Saunders	4 -	3 -	486	62	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,460 35	Surveys completed and approved.
Oct. 5, 1840	William Shields & John Lampton.	4 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,710 40	-	Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
Oct. 5, 1840	Peter Wright	4 -	3 -	300	64	43	-	-	-	-	-	-	902 41	Surveys completed and approved.
Oct. 14, 1840	R. T. Holliday	4 -	3 -	318	32	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	955 22	Surveys completed and approved.
Oct. 23, 1840	L. M. Eiler	4 -	3 -	215	22	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	645 85	Surveys completed and approved.
Dec. 16, 1840	Isaac Woods	4 -	3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	327 00	This contract was not to exceed 600 miles of surveying in S. E. corner of the State of Missouri. About 109 miles were returned by Mr. Woods. His notes are under examination.
Aug. 13, 1840	Charles de Ward	8 462	31,386	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,522 43	-	Contract of Burckhart, above designated. Surveys completed, approved, and paid for.
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SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,
St. Louis, October 27, 1841.

JOSEPH C. BROWN,
Surveyor of Public Lands for District of Illinois and Missouri.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Donaldsonville, (La.,) November 4, 1841.

SIR: The annual report due from this office, with the usual estimates for the following year, have been delayed a few days by the absence and illness of my predecessor, in whose desk were letters and documents belonging to the office, which were required for the information necessary for their basis. In addition to the usual documents accompanying the report, I beg leave to call the attention of the Commissioner to the two marked B and C, which I have thought it my duty to attach to it, in order to show more clearly the actual state of the surveys in this State, and the condition of the surveyor general's office, comprising the principal items of the estimates, and the causes therefor—B being an abstract estimate of the surveying now known to be required in the State of Louisiana, giving the numbers and ranges of the townships, and which it is proposed to have surveyed in the year following, not including the St. Helena district, which, from its numerous errors, cannot be accurately computed; and C an abstract of township maps now in this office, which have not been protracted, including such old work as has been found in error, by examination in the field and by returns to the office, in order to make returns of them to the General Land Office and to the offices of registry, which are demanded by the interests of the citizens of the State, and are absolutely requisite for the advantage of the public service; those for the district of St. Helena not being included, for the reasons before stated. It is possible that townships not given in this abstract may be found defective; those only are reported which are known to be so, making ninety-nine maps in the southwestern district, ninety-six in the southeastern district, forty-six in the northwestern district, and forty in the district north of Red river—in all, two hundred and eighty-one maps to be protracted, which, for each one, on account of the many private claims to be calculated, and the quantity of traverse, will occupy the time of a skilful and industrious draughtsman five days; and to complete the whole it will require fourteen hundred and five days of office labor, which I have estimated for as nearly as practicable, so as to bring it within the duties of the following year; as also for copies of the same for registry and your office, to be brought within the same period, the labor for which is computed at seven hundred and forty-three days. As the accomplishment of this work will facilitate the transaction of business in your department, relieve this office from the confusions and difficulties incident to the accumulation of such a mass of work in arrear, subserve the public interests, and fill the expectations and wishes of the many citizens of the State, who are the immediate sufferers by the delay, I most earnestly desire the Commissioner to urge the necessity of appropriations to meet the object. The longer this work is deferred, the greater will be the expense attending it; for, with the usual force of this office, it will inevitably increase, and in geometrical ratio will be the labor necessary for its adjustment—for one error neglected brings a thousand in its train. The last remarks will apply more forcibly, if possible, to the condition of the surveys in the St. Helena district, and the duties that devolve upon this office for their correction, to

which I must ask that attention of the Commissioner which I think the importance of the interests of the citizens of that district at issue, and the justice of their calls for correction by the Government of the many errors that exist, made in part by their own officers and agents, make for it. I have previously advised the Commissioner that, for either office or field purposes, the reprotraction of the St. Helena district is entirely worthless. I have estimated for the reprotraction of this district, and am responsible for the correct performance of the work under my supervision, by Robert W. Boyd; and am in hopes that the field work required, which must materially increase with every year's delay, can be performed with the amount formerly appropriated, (viz: \$10,000,) which is not embraced in the estimates I hand you, but which, if carried to the general fund, will be reappropriated, I trust. I think that there can be no doubt that the Government will be more than reimbursed for all expenditures had and required in this district, by sales of land saved from claims, which, as now surveyed, have greater areas than the grants or confirmations call for, and the disposition of public domain, which will be in demand as soon as the surveys are adjusted. It would greatly facilitate the correction of this district, as well as the general business of this office, (by giving it a more central position,) if it could be removed to some point on the Mississippi river, where the offices of receiver and register for the St. Helena district could be brought, which, as now located, are almost inaccessible by a large majority of the people having business with them, by giving me advantage of all the testimony to be had, upon given subjects of doubt or difficulty, from the three offices at the same time; and, under these considerations, I am impelled by sense of duty to ask that such change be proposed for legislative action of Congress, a bill for which was before it at the last regular session.

It is desirable to obtain the attention of Congress to the claim of the Barren de Bastrop, in the northern part of the district north of Red river; and, in anticipation of definitive action thereon, I have included in my estimates the amount necessary, at regular prices, for the survey of thirty-five townships, which are embraced by its boundaries. As this claim is now situated, it is the means of paralyzing the industry of a large portion of the citizens of this State, retarding the improvements which would be made with the proceeds of their labor, checking the resources and prosperity of the State, and depriving the public of a large and valuable part of its domain, which would be immediately taken up if brought into market. The immediate action of Congress upon the merits of this claim is due to the citizens of Louisiana, as well as required by the public interests; and there seems to be no just cause why it should not be finally disposed of, and the survey thereof, as public land, be directed.

I have rented of H. T. Williams the rooms that I found occupied as the surveyor general's office, at four hundred dollars per annum, which is as low rent as can be obtained in this place, for the same amount of convenience for the public work, and safety of the important records contained in the office. My estimates cover, also, an amount necessary for fuel and servants' wages. Aside from the winter's supply, fuel is occasionally necessary during the rainy season, in order to protect the papers of the office from dampness, and without which the ordinary work of the office cannot be performed with neatness and precision, and protracting would have to be entirely suspended.

I have not included in my estimate an amount which will be required

to meet the labor of clerks employed in making up triplicate plats of private claims that are contained in the 281 townships to be protracted, as I have supposed that it might be supplied from undrawn appropriations for surveying, until the amount could be ascertained by the labor itself, not having data for its correct computation.

Since the 21st of July, the force I found in this office, and that which I have been compelled to add to it, of which I have advised you, has been chiefly occupied in the labor, and examination necessary therefor, of making up an inventory of the documentary files, records, books, &c., of the office, as required by instructions from your office, under date of the 25th of June, to my predecessor; which, from the minute character of the paper, noticing every thing within the office, has been a work of much more labor and has consumed more time than at first I supposed possible; but, when completed, it will make a valuable volume for reference. In my estimates, I have left blank space for the insertion of such amounts as the appropriations for the present year were short of the amounts actually required, as shown by my estimates for the fourth quarter, already forwarded, which I must request the Commissioner to fill, and have extended. This course I have been forced to adopt, for this time, for the want of information to enable me to arrive at the balances, having been informed by Colonel Williams that no letter from the Commissioner apportioning the amount of appropriations for this office had been received this year, and no such letter can be found on file or record. By adding the amounts above alluded to, the estimate will be as correct as the nature of the anticipated labors and expenditures will admit of. In conclusion, having done but partial justice to the various and conflicting interests appertaining to the state of the surveys in this land district, I must be permitted to remark upon what directly affects me in the discharge of my official duties, for which I find nothing of record to sanction, and from which I desire to be relieved by the preventive action of the Commissioner, in making requisitions for funds in season to meet the maturing obligations of this office, which have been anticipated by the annual appropriations. I allude particularly to the practice which has obtained here, of forwarding the accounts of clerks in the office, receipted, in the name of the surveyor general, when he has not been provided with the means for their liquidation, implying a want of confidence in the disbursing agent in a small matter, when he is intrusted with some of the most important interests of the country; and at the same time, if he is corrupt, placing in his power the young men of this office, to pay them or not, as he may choose. I respectfully request that these disbursements be placed upon the same footing with all others that I have to make, having furnished the most unexceptionable bonds for the faithful performance of the duties and fulfilment of the trusts and responsibilities of the office which I have the honor to hold, and to which I have pledged my best abilities and untiring industry.

If I am sustained by appropriations to meet the requirements of the public service, I shall have the pleasure of stating, with my next annual report, that the back work in this office has been brought up, and the public surveys in the State completed, with the exception of the corrections in the St. Helena district, and such private claims and confusions as may, from the want of evidence and the collision of private interests, be delayed. I beg leave to refer to my estimate for the year 1842, (No. 1;) to the general statement of disbursements from July 21, 1841, to October 1, 1841,

(No. 2;) and to the tabular abstract of contracts, (No. 3;) which, with triplicate diagrams of the land districts in this State, and abstracts B and C, referred to in the body of this report, are enclosed herewith.

With much respect, I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

F. D. NEWCOMB,

Surveyor General of Louisiana.

Hon. E. M. HUNTINGTON,

Commissioner of the General Land Office, Washington, D. C.

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No. 1.

Estimate of funds required for surveying public lands in the State of Louisiana, and to meet the expenses of the surveyor general's office, for the year 1842.

For surveying public lands, and private claims at "augmented prices," (see abstract B)	-	-	-	\$12,592 00	
To which is to be added the amount short, by appropriations of 1841, for the same purpose	-	-	-	600 00	\$13,192 00
For surveying public lands at regular prices, (see abstract B, herewith)	-	-	-	18,660 00	
Salary of surveyor general	-	-	\$2,000 00		
Office rent	-	-	400 00		
Fuel	-	-	36 00		
Salaries of regular clerks	-	-	2,500 00		
Servants' labor	-	-	100 00		
Stationery, blanks, and postage	-	-	350 00		
Office furniture	-	-	150 00	5,536 00	
Salaries of four extra clerks, required to protract 281 township maps, (see abstract C)	-	-	4,800 00		
Salaries of two extra clerks, required to make 562 copies of township maps for the General Land Office and offices of registry	-	-	1,800 00		
Copying field notes for General Land Office	-	-	4,000 00		
Reprotractions of the St. Helena district	-	-	2,400 00	13,000 00	37,196 00
Total	-	-	-	-	50,388 00

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Donaldsonville, (La.,) October 30, 1841.

I certify that the estimate above made is correct, and represents truly the requirements for the public service, in the land district of this State, for the year 1842.

F. D. NEWCOMB,
Surveyor General, Louisiana.

No. 2.

General statement of disbursements for surveying in the State of Louisiana, from the 20th of July, 1841, to the 1st of October, 1841.

Amount of Treasury warrant, received September 20, 1841, payable by the Treasurer of the United States branch mint at New Orleans, dated September 6, 1841, and No. 6116.	\$9,000 00	\$9,000 00
Amount disbursed on account of surveys at "augmented prices," in collecting the above draft	16 00	
Amount expended for postage on public service, as per account rendered to 30th September, 1841	21 35	
Amount of salary accounts for clerks in the office of the surveyor general, for the 1st and 2d quarters, 1841	2,598 74	
Amount of salary account for the 3d quarter, 1841	1,559 58	
		4,195 67
Balance on hand, and due the United States on the 30th of September, 1841, four thousand eight hundred and four dollars and thirty-three cents		4,804 33

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Donaldsonville, La., October 1, 1841.

F. D. NEWCOMB,
Surveyor General, Louisiana.

Tabular statement of contracts for

Date.	By whom.	District.	Time allowed.	Estimated number of miles in contract.	Price per mile.	Amount of contract.	Whole number of miles returned.
			Mo.				M. Ch. Lk.
Jan. 29, 1834	Thomas Bilbo - -	Southwestern -	11	375	\$4	\$1,500	-
Dec. 10, 1834	H. Bagarly - -	Southwestern -	4	75	4	300	-
Nov. 9, 1835	A. McCollam & N. Webster	S.W. & N. Red r.	26	475	4	1,900	309 25 46
Jan. 12, 1837	James P. Terrell	North Red river	12	275	4	1,150	367 43 14
April 1, 1837	Terrell & Kelly -	S.W. & N. Red r.	12	625	4	2,500	894 47 29
Oct. 10, 1837	Rightor & McCollam -	S.W. & S. E.	7	625	8	5,000	1,751 19 66
Oct. 18, 1837	N. Webster & J. McCollam	S.W. & N. Red r.	8½	625	4	2,500	729 50 99
Oct. 25, 1837	Geo. B. Stewart -	North Red river	9	216½	6	1,300	-
Oct. 25, 1837	Geo. B. Stewart	North Red river	9	137½	4	550	162 53 66
Nov. 20, 1837	Terrell & Kelly -	Southwestern -	12	200	6	1,200	145 43 26
Nov. 22, 1837	Alexander & Owen -	North Red river	6	312½	4	1,250	59 77 59
Dec. 16, 1837	Phelps & Barrow -	Southwestern -	12	108½	6	650	-
Jan. 16, 1838	J. N. Walker -	North Red river	12	187½	4	750	308 17 12
Feb. 9, 1838	Webster & McCollam -	North Red river	7	571½	7	4,000	274 06 77
July 30, 1838	Seth Kline -	St. Helena -	6	66½	6	400	-
Sept. 1, 1838	Boyd & Walker -	Southeastern -	12	60	8	500	-
Dec. 1, 1838	A. F. Rightor -	Southeastern -	12	62½	4	400	100 20 73
May 15, 1839	Rightor & McCollam -	Southeastern -	11	-	-	750	-
Dec. 2, 1839	Fields & Anderson -	Southwestern -	12	333½	6	2,000	-
Feb. 18, 1840	Rightor & McCollam -	Southeastern -	4	-	*	4,000	-
Feb. 22, 1840	Seth Kline -	St. Helena -	8	100	4	400	-
Feb. 26, 1840	John Maxwell -	North Red river	11	-	-	250	-
Feb. 29, 1840	Webster & Cabell -	North Red river	3	50	4	200	47 17 39
Mar. 17, 1840	J. G. Berry -	N. Red r. & S. E.	12	312½	4	1,250	272 35 70
Mar. 17, 1840	G. S. & W. T. Walmsley	Northwestern -	12	250	4	1,000	-
Nov. 10, 1840	Webster & McCollam -	North Red river	12	62½	4	250	-
Nov. 12, 1840	G. S. & W. T. Walmsley	Northwestern -	8	62½	4	250	-
Nov. 20, 1840	H. O. Terrell -	Southwestern -	6	187½	8	1,500	-
Nov. 23, 1840	J. H. Dickerson -	Southwestern -	7½	125	8	1,000	-
Dec. 1, 1840	G. F. Connelly -	St. Helena -	4	166½	6	1,000	234 52 24
Dec. 17, 1840	G. B. Stewart -	Southwestern -	3½	75	8	600	-
Jan. 14, 1841	E. D. Richardson -	North Red river	4½	125	4	500	211 15 68
Apr. 20, 1841	A. L. Fields -	Southwestern -	4	312½	8	2,500	-
June 7, 1841	Geo. C. Van Zandt -	Southwestern -	5	312½	8	2,500	-

* \$8 for 500 miles, and \$4 for balance.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Donaldsonville, Louisiana, October 1, 1841.

3.

surveying in the State of Louisiana.

Miles suspended and included in miles returned.	Miles relinquished.	Amount paid on account.	Amount due on contract.	General remarks.
-	-	-	-	Withdrawn, to be recontracted for and returned before 1st of January, 1842.
-	-	-	-	Sent back for correction, to be returned before 1st of December, 1841.
-	†	\$1,237 27	-	Contract complete, and notes approved.
-	-	-	\$1,470 15	Complete, and notes approved.
-	-	2,890 65	687 71	Do. do.
-	-	14,011 96	-	Completed as far as practicable; township 14 S., range 6 E., and township 15 S., range 7 E., not yet approved.
-	†	1,588 29	1,330 25	Field notes returned and approved.
-	60	-	-	Do. do.
-	-	-	650 68	Contract complete.
-	-	873 24	-	Surveyed, but suspended on account of alleged errors.
-	-	239 87	-	Surveyed, but suspended on account of discrepancy with adjacent surveys.
-	-	-	-	Nearly complete; one of the contractors dead; contract extended to the 11th May, 1839.
-	-	-	1,232 85	Field notes returned and approved.
-	-	1,918 59	-	Work in progress.
-	-	-	-	Surveyed, but not finally examined.
-	-	-	-	Contract extended to 1st of November, 1841.
-	-	400 03	-	One claim surveyed and approved, balance not returned.
-	-	-	-	Difficulty in locating the private claims.
-	333 3	-	-	Relinquished, and contracted for by A. L. Fields, April 20, 1841.
-	-	-	-	Work returned; supposed to have been paid by Col. H. T. Williams, and the amount claimed by Rightor & McCollam.
-	-	-	-	Surveyed, but not yet finally examined.
-	-	-	-	Surveyed and notes approved March 12, 1841.
-	-	-	188 86	Surveyed, but the notes not yet approved.
-	-	-	1,089 78	Surveyed and notes approved; township 5 S., range 9 E., unsurveyed.
-	-	-	-	Surveyed and returned, but not yet approved.
-	-	-	-	Work returnable by the 1st of December.
-	-	-	-	To be returned on or before the 1st of December.
-	-	-	-	Do. do. do.
-	-	-	-	Do. do. do.
-	†	400 00	1,007 91	Notes approved so far as surveyed.
-	-	-	-	To be returned on or before the 1st of December.
-	-	-	844 78	Notes returned, but not yet approved.
-	-	-	-	To be returned on or before the 1st of December.
-	-	-	-	Do. do. do.

† Balance relinquished.

F. D. NEWCOMB,
Surveyor General of Louisiana.

B.

Estimate of the number of miles in the townships proposed to be surveyed, and in those that have been found necessary to be corrected.

	Number of miles.	Regular price.	Augmented price.
DISTRICT NORTH OF RED RIVER, LOUISIANA.			
AT REGULAR PRICES.			
To complete township 23 north, range 3 east - - -	24	\$96	
Townships 21, 22, and 23, north, range 4 east; townships 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, north, range 5 east - - -	648	2,592	
Townships 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, north, range 6 east; townships 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, north, range 7 east - - -	858	3,432	
Townships 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, north, ranges 8 and 9 east; townships 20, 21, 22, and 23, north, range 10 east - - -	978	3,912	
Townships 15, 16, and 17, north, range 2 east - - -	192	768	
AT AUGMENTED PRICES.			
Township 13 north, range 5 east - - -	80	-	\$640
Township 12 north, range 4 east—supposed 10 miles; township 12 north, range 5 east—supposed 10 miles - - -	20	-	160
SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT.			
AT AUGMENTED PRICES.			
Township 2 north, range 3 east—40 miles; township 3 north, range 3 east—15 miles - - -	55	-	440
Township 15 south, ranges 11 and 12 east—north side of Grand lake - - -	15	-	120
Townships 7, 8, and 9, south, range 13 west - - -	144	-	1,152
Townships 3 and 4 south, range 12 west—20; township 5 south, range 12 west—8; township 5 south, range 13 west—10; township 6 south, range 13 west—20; and township 5 north, range 3 west—15 miles - - -	73	-	584
AT REGULAR PRICES.			
Township 10 south, range 7 west—66 miles; township 11 south, ranges 7 and 8 west—138 miles; township 12 south, range 8 west—72 miles - - -	276	1,104	
Townships 7 and 8 south, ranges 11 and 12 west - - -	264	1,056	
ST. HELENA DISTRICT.			
AT AUGMENTED PRICES.			
Township 4 south, range 14 east—12 miles; township 5 south, range 14 east—20 miles - - -	32	-	256
Township 6 south, ranges 14 and 15 east—40 miles; township 7 south, range 15 east—30 miles - - -	70	-	560
SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT.			
AT AUGMENTED PRICES.			
South of Lakes Maurepas and Pontchartrain, about 5 townships -	300	-	2,400
South and east of Lake Borgne, about 10 townships - - -	600	-	4,800

B—Continued.

	Number of miles.	Regular price.	Augment- ed price.
Township 5 south, range 10 east—30; township 5 south, range 11 east—30; township 7 south, range 11 east—5; township 11 south, range 15 east—50; township 12 south, range 15 east—20 miles	135	—	\$1,080
Township 9 south, range 13 east—20 miles; township 13 south, range 14 east—30 miles	50	—	400
AT REGULAR PRICES.			
Township 13 south, range 19 east; township 14 south, ranges 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, east; townships 15 and 16 south, ranges 20 and 21 east—adjacent to Lake des Allemands and Lake Salvador	600	\$2,400	
Township 16 south, range 18 east; township 18 south, range 16 east	120	480	
Townships 18, 19, and 20, south, range 25 east; townships 19 and 20 south, range 26 east; township 20 south, range 27 east; township 21 south, ranges 28 and 29 east—adjacent to Lake Bafataria and the Gulf of Mexico	480	1,920	
Total	6,014	17,760	12,592

The thirty-five townships first named, in the district north of Red river, are those included in the Bastrop claim; which a large number of citizens of this State are interested in having surveyed.

F. D. NEWCOMB,
Surveyor General of Louisiana.

Abstract of maps which have not been protracted, or which are found necessary to be protracted, up to the 22d July, 1841.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT, LOUISIANA.

Township.	Range.	Surveyor.	Date of contract.	Field notes; date of approval.	Remarks.
2	north 1	west K. McCrummen & C. Gray	-	-	Conflicting claims in this township.
3	" 2	" G. J. Williams	-	November 10, 1807	Some claims to be placed on this map.
5	" 3	" A. McCollam & K. McCrummen	-	-	Some surveying necessary.
2	" 1	east Do	-	Not approved	Double concessions to be added to this map.
3	" 1	" K. McCrummen	-	April 5, 1820, and Dec. 10, 1832.	Additions to be made to the map.
2	" 3	" Do	-	-	Appears to have been surveyed, but notes not in office.
1	" 2	" Do	-	-	Double concessions to be added to this map.
3	south 10	west Augustus S. Phelps	December 1, 1832	July 31, 1833.	
3	" 11	" Do	Do	Do	
4	" 7	" Do	Do	Do	
4	" 8	" Do	Do	Do	
4	" 9	" Do	Do	Do	
4	" 10	" Do	Do	Do	
4	" 11	" Do	Do	November 6, 1834.	
6	" 12	" Do	Do	Do	
10	" 8	Thomas Bilbo	June 30, 1838	August 6, 1839.	
11	" 13 & 14	" Do	Do	Do	
12	" 13 & 14	" Do	Do	Do	
12 and 13	" 14 & 15	" Do	Do	Do	
14	" 15	" Do	Do	Do	
14	" 14	" Do	Do	Do	
14 and 15	" 16	" Do	Do	Do	
15	" 13	" Do	Do	Do	
15	" 14	" Do	Do	Do	
15	" 15	" Do	Do	Do	
16 and 17	" 1	east Rightor & McCollam	October 10, 1837	August 1, 1838.	
15 and 17	" 2	" Do	Do	Do	

15	"	3	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
16 and 17	"	3	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
14 and 15	"	4	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
16 and 17	"	4	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
13 and 14	"	5	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
16	"	5	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
17 and 18	"	5	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
14	"	6	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	-	Notes not yet approved; a few claims to be surveyed.
15 and 16	"	6	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	August 1, 1838.	
17 and 18	"	6	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
15	"	7	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	-	Notes not approved; a few claims to be surveyed.
17 and 18	"	7	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	August 1, 1838.	
15 and 16	"	8	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
17 and 18	"	8	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
1	"	2	"	K. McCrummen	-	-	-	-	-	Double concessions to be placed on the old map.
3	"	2	"	Joseph Irwin	-	-	-	-	-	Notes not approved.
5	"	1	"	Do	-	-	-	-	September 20, 1816.	
6	"	1	"	Do	-	-	-	-	Do	
8	"	1	"	Do	-	-	-	-	-	Notes not approved; this map protracted, but required calculation of areas.
9	"	1	"	Do	-	-	-	-	September 20, 1816	Notes not approved; this map protracted, but required calculation of areas.
10	"	1	"	Do	-	-	-	-	Do	
10	"	3	"	William Johnson	-	-	-	-	September 9, 1817.	
11	"	3	"	Do	-	-	-	-	Do	
12	"	3	"	Do	-	-	-	-	Do	
13	"	3	"	Do	-	-	-	-	Do	
10, 12, & 13	"	4	"	Do	-	-	-	-	Do	
14	"	3	"	Thomas Orme	-	-	-	-	-	Notes not approved.
5	"	5	"	William Darby	-	-	-	-	May 10, 1814.	
12	"	5	"	John H. McMichael.	-	-	-	-	-	
17 and 18	"	9	"	Rightor & McCollam	-	-	October 10, 1837	-	August 1, 1838.	
17 and 18	"	10	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
16, 17, & 18	"	11	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
16, 17, & 18	"	12	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
15	"	11	"	A. L. Fields	-	-	June 1, 1837	-	June 30, 1838, and December 2, 1839.	
15 and 16	"	12	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	
13	"	10	west	Henry T. Williams	-	-	May 7, 1833.	-	-	
14	"	10	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	-	

ABSTRACT C—Continued.
SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT, LOUISIANA—Continued.

Township.	Range.	Surveyor.	Date of contract.	Field notes; date of approval.	Remarks.
15	south	10 west	Henry T. Williams - -	May 7, 1833	
11	"	11 "	Do - -	Do	
11	"	10 "	Do - -	Do	
12	"	11 "	Do - -	Do	
12	"	12 "	Do - -	Do	
11	"	13 "	Do - -	Do	
10	"	13 "	Do - -	Do	
9	"	12 "	Do - -	Do	
11	"	12 "	Do - -	Do	
15	"	11 "	Do - -	Do	
15	"	12 "	Do - -	Do	
15	"	13 "	Do - -	Do	

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT, LOUISIANA.

3	south	8 east	H. T. & T. B. Williams -	October 30, 1829 -	-	-	Claims to be put on this map; notes not approved.
3	"	9 "	Do -	Do -	-	-	Notes not approved.
4	"	10 "	Do -	Do -	-	-	Notes not approved.
5	"	11 "	Do -	Do -	-	-	Notes not approved; surveying necessary.
8	"	12 & 13 "	A. S. & A. G. Phelps -	January 23, 1835 -	March 31, 1837 -	-	Conflicting claims in the townships.
20 and 21	"	11 "	Rightor & McCollam -	October 10, 1837 -	August 1, 1838.	-	
16 and 17	"	12 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
18 and 19	"	12 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
20 and 21	"	12 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
17 and 18	"	13 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
19 and 20	"	13 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
21 and 22	"	13 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
17 and 18	"	14 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
19 and 20	"	14 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	
21 and 22	"	14 "	Do -	Do -	Do	-	

18 and 19	15	Do	Do	Do
20	15	Do	Do	Do
21 and 22	15	Do	Do	Do
15	12	Alexander L. Fields	June 1, 1837	
16	12	Do	Do	
19, 20, & 21	16	G. F. Conelly	October 13, 1837	March 31, 1838.
20, 21, & 22	22	Do	Do	Do
23	22	Do	Do	Do
23	23 & 24	Do	Do	Do
22	23 & 24	Do	Do	Do
22	25	Do	Do	Do
21	24 & 25	Do	Do	Do
21	26	Do	Do	Do
24	21 & 22	Do	Do	Do
23	21	Do	Do	Do
23 and 24	20	Do	Do	Do
23	18 & 19	Do	Do	Do
24	17 & 18	Do	Do	Do
24	15 & 16	Do	Do	Do
23	15	Do	Do	Do
20	17	Do	Do	Do
21	17	Do	Do	Do
20, 21, & 24	30	Do	February 23, 1836	June 27, 1836.
21, 22, & 24	31	Do	Do	Do
23	31 & 32	Do	Do	Do
22	32	Do	Do	Do
22 and 23	33	Do	Do	Do
15	23 & 24	Rightor & McCollam	February 18, 1840	July 1, 1841.
14	24 & 25	Do	Do	Do
15 and 16	22	Do	Do	Do
17 and 18	22	Do	Do	Do
16	23	Do	Do	Do
17 and 18	23	Do	Do	Do
17 and 18	24	Do	Do	Do
19	24	Do	Do	Do
8	3	J. Gilmore		
8	4	Do		
9	1	Do		
9	2	Do		
9	4	Do		

Notes not approved.
Notes not approved.

East side of Mississippi river.
Some surveying necessary.

Included in the
Houmas grant.

ABSTRACT C—Continued.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT, LOUISIANA—Continued.

Township.	Range.		Surveyor.	Date of contract.	Field notes; date of approval.	Remarks.
12	south	11	east	A. McCollam -	- - -	Conflicting claims in this t'ship; notes not approved.
11	"	15	"	Do -	- - -	Some surveying necessary, and claims to be put on this map. (West side of Mississippi river.)
12	"	15	"	Do -	- - -	Some surveying necessary, and claims to be put on this map.
12	"	16	"	Do -	- - -	Some surveying necessary, and claims to be put on this map.

DISTRICT NORTH OF RED RIVER, LOUISIANA.

12	south	2	west	B. F. Owen -	February 8, 1834 -	September 22, 1835.	
6	"	3	east	J. N. Walker -	October 31, 1835 -	October 9, 1840.	
4	"	4	"	Do -	Do -	June 30, 1836.	
5	"	4	"	Do -	Do -	October 9, 1840.	
6	"	4	"	Do -	Do -	Do	
3	"	5	"	J. P. Terrell -	Do -	Do	
4	"	5	"	Do -	Do -	Do	
5	"	5	"	J. N. Walker -	Do -	Do	
6	"	5	"	Do -	Do -	Do	
7	"	5	"	Do -	January 16, 1838 -	June 9, 1841.	
7	"	6	"	Do -	Do -	Do	
7	"	7	"	Do -	Do -	Do	
7	"	4	"	A. W. McDaniel -	October 5, 1834 -	February 3, 1836.	
23	"	3	"	Cabell & Williams -	October 29, 1835 -	April 19, 1836 -	Some surveying necessary, and map made, but not signed.
12	"	4	"	W. L. S. Dearing -	- - -	- - -	This township requires correction.
12	"	5	"	Do -	- - -	- - -	This township requires correction.

14	"	5	"	E. D. Richardson	-	January 14, 1841	-	-	-	Not approved.
18	"	8	"	Do	-	Do	-	-	-	Not approved.
8	"	5	"	Thomas D. Kennedy	-	-	-	-	-	Not approved.
3	"	6	"	G. B. Stewart	-	-	-	-	-	Not approved.
4	"	6	"	Do	-	October 25, 1837	-	-	-	Not approved.
4	"	7	"	George B. Stewart	-	October 25, 1837	-	-	-	Not approved.
5	"	7	"	Do	-	Do	-	May 4, 1840.	-	
6	"	7	"	Do	-	-	-	-	-	
5	"	8	"	J. G. Berry	-	March 17, 1840	-	September 4, 1841	-	{ Approved by F. D. Newcomb, surveyor general, Louisiana.
6	"	8	"	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	
7	"	8	"	Do	-	Do	-	Do	-	
14	"	8	"	G. F. Obnnelly	-	October 18, 1836	-	February 27, 1837.	-	
16	"	8	"	Owens & Alexander	-	November 22, 1837	-	-	-	{ Not approved. } See examination of this work by E. D. Richardson, D. S.
17	"	8	"	Do	-	Do	-	-	-	
1	"	9	"	Cabell & Webster	-	February 29, 1840	-	-	-	Do
15	"	9 & 10	"	E. Cranston	-	August 11, 1836	-	-	-	Maps made, but not signed.
16	"	10	"	Cranston & Williams	-	-	-	-	-	Do do
15	"	11	"	Do	-	-	-	-	-	Do do
13	"	11	"	G. F. Connelly	-	October 27, 1835	-	February 27, 1837.	-	
12	"	12	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	Old map to be corrected by adding double concessions surveyed by J. Maxwell.
23	"	13	"	J. Maxwell	-	February 26, 1840	-	March 12, 1841.	-	
17*	"	14	"	J. G. Berry	-	-	-	-	-	Instructions July 12, 1839.
15	"	14	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	Map made, but not signed.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT, LOUISIANA.

4	south	4	west	K. McCrummen	-	-	-	-	-	Not approved.
5	"	4	"	Do	-	-	-	-	-	Do
6	"	4	"	Do	-	-	-	-	-	Do South of Red river.
6	"	4	"	R. McCarty	-	-	-	-	-	Do
12	"	4	"	B. F. Owens	-	February 8, 1834	-	July 29, 1836.	-	
6	"	5	"	K. McCrummen	-	-	-	April 5, 1820	-	Part of notes, and south of Red river.
6	"	5	"	R. McCarty	-	-	-	-	-	Not approved.
10	"	5	"	B. F. Owens	-	-	-	May 25, 1837	-	Part of notes.

* My Wife's Island, opposite,

ABSTRACT C—Continued.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT, LOUISIANA—Continued.

Township.	Range.	Surveyor.	Date of contract.	Field notes; date of approval.	Remarks.
10	south	5 west	E. R. Christie - -	July 22, 1836 -	Part of notes.
7	"	7 "	W. B. Jackson - -	November 26, 1830 -	December 18, 1833.
8	"	7 "	McCauley & Irwin.		
22	"	7 "	W. L. S. Dearing - -	January 29, 1834 -	Notes not approved.
10	"	8 "	G. S. Walmsley - -	February 11, 1839 -	July 12, 1839.
10	"	9 "	Do - -	Do - -	Do
11	"	9 "	J. Boyd - -	July 31, 1833 -	South side of Red river.
22	"	9 "	W. L. S. Dearing - -	January 29, 1834 -	Not approved.
23	"	9 "	Do - -	May 4, 1837.	
12	north	10 "	J. Boyd - -	July 31, 1833 -	South side of Red river. Additions to be made to this map.
13	"	10 "	Walmsley & McCauley - -	December 30, 1839	East side of Red river.
14	"	10 "	Do - -	Do - -	
13	"	11 "	J. McCauley - -	Do - -	East side of Red river.
14	"	11 "	Walmsley & McCauley - -	Do - -	Do do
15	"	10 "	Webster & McCollam - -	October 18, 1837 -	March 30, 1839.
16	"	10 "	Do - -	Do - -	
17	"	10 "	Do - -	Do - -	May 11, 1841.
17	"	11 "	Do - -	Do - -	
17	"	12 "	Do - -	Do - -	
23	"	10 "	W. L. S. Dearing - -	May 4, 1837.	
22	"	11 "	Do - -	Do - -	
23	"	11 "	Do - -	Do - -	
23	"	12 "	Do - -	Do - -	
15	"	12 "	Boyd & Terrell - -	- -	Additions to be made to this map.
16	"	12 "	J. P. Terrell - -	November 20, 1837	Not approved
8	"	13 "	G. S. & W. T. Walmsley - -	March 17, 1840 -	Do
7	"	13 "	Do - -	Do - -	Do
8	"	13 "	Do - -	Do - -	Do
8	"	14 "	Do - -	Do - -	Do

7	"	14	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	-	
8	"	14	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	-	
16	"	13	"	J. P. Terrell	-	-	November 29, 1837	-	Do	-	Traverse of Red river to be examined in the field.
17	"	13	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do
15	"	13	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	-	Do
23	"	14	"	Earl Cranston	-	-	September 21, 1837, and Dec. 15, 1838	-	May 17, 1839.	-	
12	"	17	"	J. P. Terrell	-	-	November 20, 1837	-	Do	-	
16	"	14	"	Jno. Boyd	-	-	January 1, 1837	-	June 16, 1837.	-	
16	"	15	"	Do	-	-	Do	-	Do	-	

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, *Donaldsonville, La., October 30, 1841.*

The above abstract exhibits a true statement of the maps required to be protracted in this office previous to the 22d July, 1841, and not included in present contracts, in order to forward to the General Land Office and the registers.

F. D. NEWCOMB, *Surveyor General, Louisiana.*

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TABLE I—Being a list of townships only partly surveyed in Louisiana.

In the late southwestern district: Township 2 north, range 1 east; township 1 north, range 2 east; township 2 north, range 3 east; township 2 north, range 1 west; township 6 north, range 4 west; township 6 north, range 5 west; township 8 north, range 7 west; township 7 south, range 1 west; townships 8 and 10 south, range 2 west; townships 3, 4, and 5, south, range 12 west; townships 5 and 6 south, range 13 west; townships 6 and 8 south, range 1 east; township 3 south, range 2 east; townships 10, 13, and 14, south, range 3 east; townships 10 and 13 south, range 4 east; township 12 south, range 5 east; and township 16 south, range 10 east.

In the late district north of Red river: Township 6 north, ranges 4 and 5 west; township 23 north, range 3 east; and township 12 north, ranges 4 and 5 east.

In the southeastern district, west of the Mississippi river: Township 3 south, range 8 east; township 5 south, range 10 east; townships 5 and 7 south, range 11 east; townships 9 and 16 south, range 13 east; township 13 south, range 14 east; townships 11 and 12 south, range 15 east; township 15 south, range 16 east; township 16 south, range 24 east; townships 16 and 17 south, range 25 east; townships 17 and 18 south, range 26 east; and township 18 south, range 27 east.

In the Greensburg (late Helena) district: Township 8 south, ranges 5, 6, 8, 9, and 10, east; township 6 south, range 14 east; and township 7 south, range 15 east.

TABLE II—Being a list of the townships and fractional townships under contract for survey in Louisiana.

In the late southwestern district: Township 1 north, range 3 east; townships 1, 2, and 3, north, range 4 east; township 1 north, range 7 east; townships 7 and 8 south, range 2 east; townships 3, 7, and 8, south, range 3 east; townships 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11, south, range 4 east; townships 8, 9, and 10, south, range 5 east; townships 8, 9, 10, and 11, south, range 6 east; townships 11 and 12 south, range 7 east; townships 10, 11, 12, and 13, south, range 8 east; townships 13, 14, and 15, south, ranges 9 and 10 east.

In the southeastern district, west of the Mississippi river: Township 5 south, range 9 east; township 9 south, range 12 east; township 11 south, range 14 east; townships 19, 20, and 21, south, range 23 east; and townships 20 and 21 south, range 24 east.

In the late district north of Red river: Townships 17, 18, and 19, north, range 10 east; townships 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, north, range 11 east; township 7 north, range 5 west; and township 21 north, range 13 west.

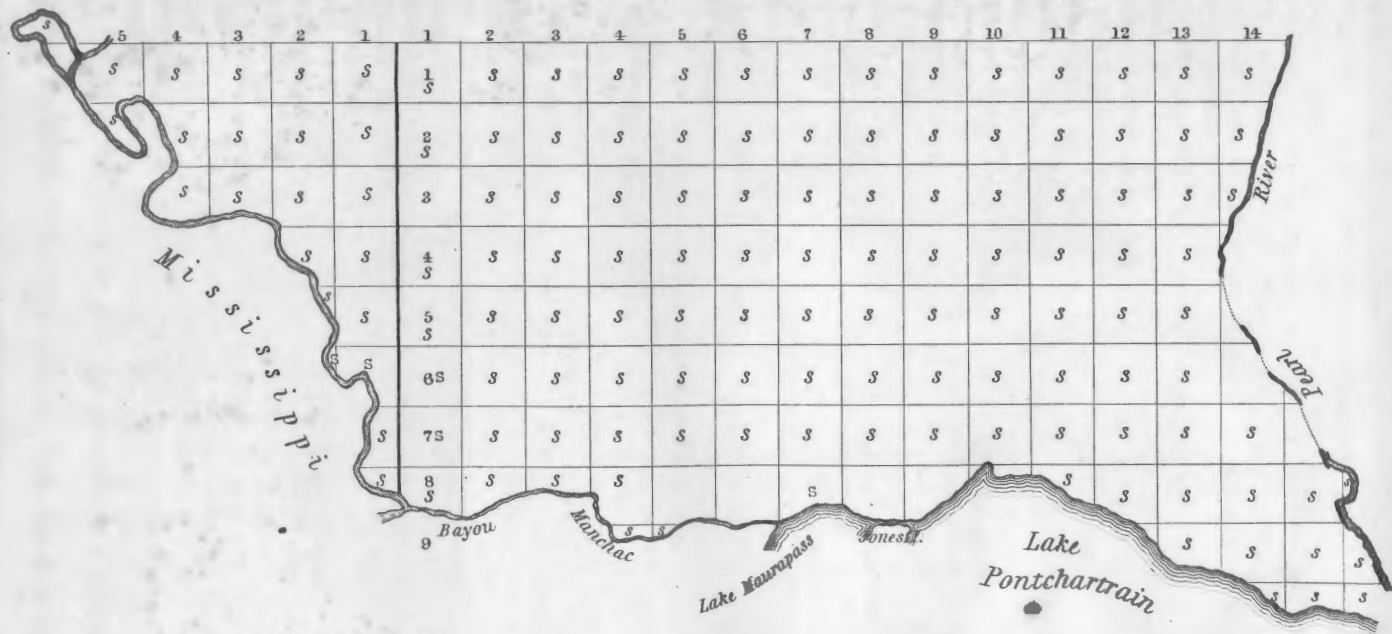
TABLE III—Being a list of townships and fractional townships proposed for survey in 1842.

In the late southwestern district: Townships 2 and 3 north, range 3 east; township 5 north, range 3 west; townships 10 and 11 south, range 7 west; townships 11 and 12 south, range 8 west; townships 7 and 8 south, range 11 west; townships 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8, south, range 13 west; townships 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, south, range 14 west; and township 15 south, ranges 11 and 12 east.

In the late district north of Red river: Townships 15, 16, and 17, north, range 2 east; townships 12, 21, 22, and 23, north, range 4 east; townships 12 and 13 north, range 5 east; Townships 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and

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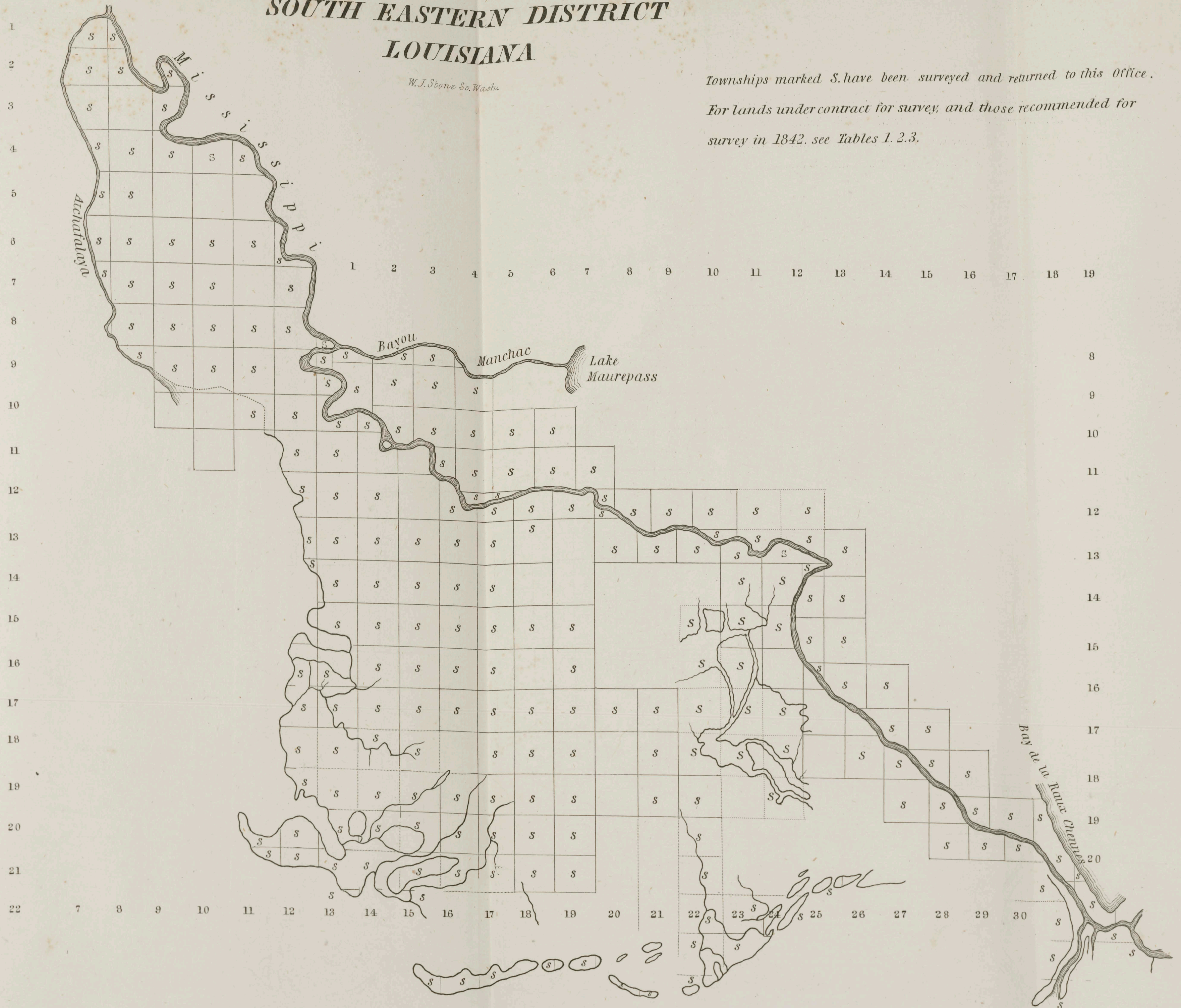
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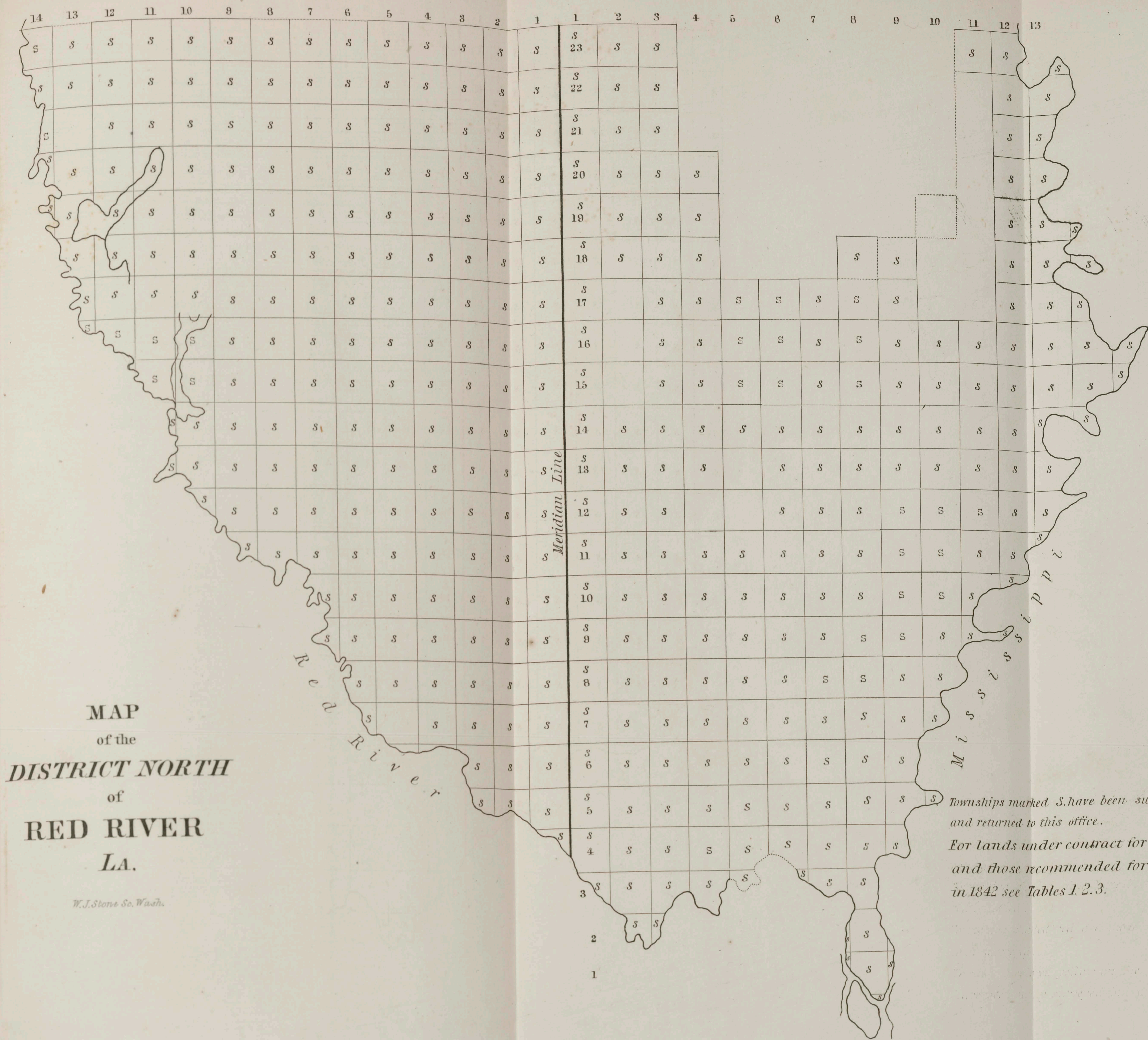
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SOUTH EASTERN DISTRICT LOUISIANA

W.J. Stone Sec. Wash.

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MAP
of the
DISTRICT NORTH
of
RED RIVER
LA.

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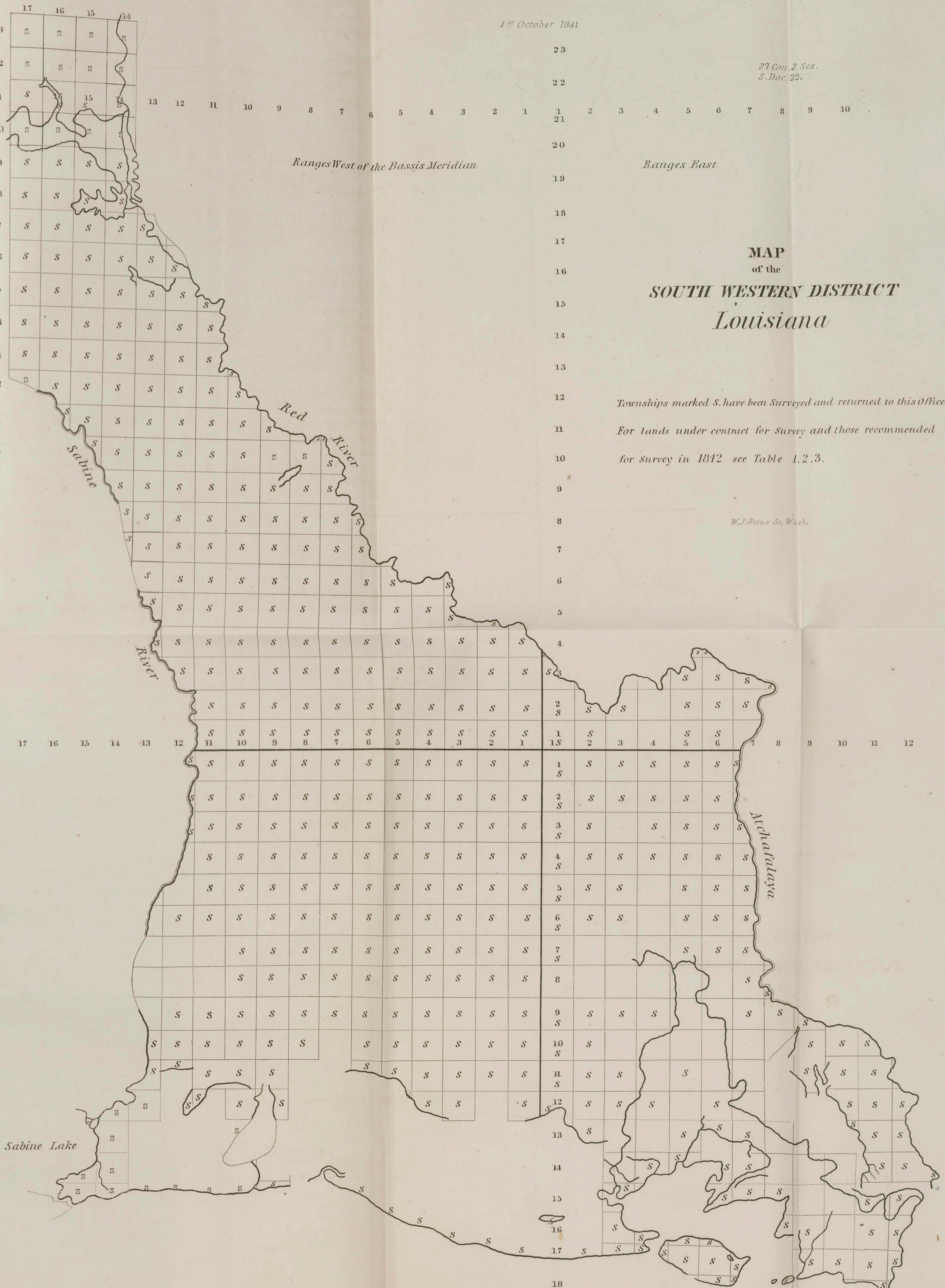
Ranges West of the Basis Meridian

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MAP
of the
SOUTH WESTERN DISTRICT
Louisiana

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23, north, ranges 5, 6, and 7, east; townships 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, north, ranges 8 and 9 east; townships 20, 21, 22, and 23, north, range 10 east.

In the southeastern district: Township 5 south, range 10 east; townships 5 and 7 south, range 11 east; township 9 south, range 13 east; township 13 south, range 14 east; townships 11 and 12 south, range 15 east; township 18 south, range 16 east; townships 14 and 16 south, range 18 east; townships 13 and 14 south, range 19 east; townships 14, 15, and 16, south, ranges 20 and 21 east; township 14 south, range 22 east; and the lands included between township 17, range 25; township 18, range 26; township 19, range 27; and township 20, ranges 27 and 28, and the Gulf coast, all situated west of Mississippi river.

Also, the lands north and east of township 10, range 6; township 11, range 7; township 12, ranges 8, 9, 10, and 12; township 13, range 11; and townships 13 and 14, range 13; all east of the Mississippi river.

In the Greensburg (late St. Helena) district: Townships 4, 5, and 6, range 14 east; and townships 6 and 7, range 15 east.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,

Jackson, (Miss.) October 18, 1841.

SIR: In compliance with your circular of the 18th ultimo, I transmit this, my annual report, together with triplicate diagrams of this surveying district, corrected to the 1st of the present month. Also, an estimate of the appropriations required for the service of 1842.

The accompanying tabular statement, marked A, exhibits the amount of labor performed in this office since the 1st of October, 1840, (the date of last annual report,) to the 1st of October, 1841. Tabular statement marked B exhibits the amount of labor yet to be performed in this office, as nearly as can be ascertained, with the amount of miles yet to be surveyed and retraced in the several land districts in this State, or surveying district. Statement marked C is an estimate of the appropriations for the service of the year 1842; and the statement marked D the contracts for surveying.

In my estimate of the number of townships in the Choctaw cession, (400,) for which descriptive notes are required for the district land offices, I have included the whole district, believing that very few indeed (if any) descriptive notes have been furnished for that district. I, however, will ascertain from the registers of the respective land offices the particular townships for which there are no descriptive notes furnished, before I venture to make out any copies of descriptive notes. Should you deem it advisable to have the resurveying in the district west of Pearl river completed during the next year, you will please advise me of the fact, and give me the necessary instructions to go on with that work.

Your predecessor having directed me not to put any of said work under contract until further advice, should you determine to suspend operations in that district, the item in the estimate for appropriations (\$9,600) for resurveying in said district will of course not be required.

Upon examination of the files of this office, I discover there are many private claims in the district west of Pearl river, that have a place upon

the township maps, for which there are no field notes or separate plats in this office.

I presume they were placed upon the township plats from the original plats of said claims filed in the register's office at Washington, copies of which were neglected to be taken at the time. Some time shortly I will endeavor to give you a list of the claims in said district, surveys of which have been duly returned to this office; by comparing which with the list of confirmed claims in your office for said district, you will be enabled to discover the number of which there are no field notes on file or on record in this office.

It is expected a large portion of the unsurveyed lands in the Choctaw cession of 1830 will be returned during the first quarter of 1842; also the contract of Messrs. Carver & Monett, in the district east of Pearl river.

In my estimate of appropriations for 1842, I have not included the descriptive notes for the district land offices, believing the regular force in this office will be able to make them out, without any additional expense to the Government for extra clerk hire, so far as that item is concerned. It is also believed that many of the township plats to be recorded can be done by myself and regular clerks, in addition to the current business of the office.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

B. A. LUDLOW,

Surveyor of Public Lands south of Tennessee.

Hon. E. M. HUNTINGTON,

Washington.

A.

Estimate of labor performed in this office since last annual report.

Quarter of the year.		Number of township plats recorded in this office.	Number of townships the field notes of which have been recorded in this office.	Number of townships the field notes of which have been transcribed for the General Land Office.	No. of private claims which have been re- corded in this office.	No. of private claims the plats and descrip- tions of which have been sent to the Gen. Land Office and the district land offices.	Number of township maps projected from the field notes from this office.	Number of township maps completed for the General Land Office.	Number of township maps completed for the district land offices.	Land district.
Fourth quarter of 1840	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	Choctaw district.
Do do	-	-	28	4	-	-	-	-	-	West of Pearl river.
Do do	-	-	14	"	-	-	-	-	-	East of Pearl river.
Do do	-	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	East of the Tombigbee.
First quarter of 1841	-	-	41	3	-	-	-	-	-	East of Pearl river.
Do do	-	-	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	West of Pearl river.
Do do	-	-	"	7	-	-	-	-	-	East of the Tombigbee.
Do do	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	Choctaw district.
Do do	-	-	"	12	-	-	-	-	-	Choctaw cession.
Second quarter of 1841	-	44	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	Choctaw district.
Do do	-	"	"	-	-	-	1	1	1	Choctaw cession.
Do do	-	33	"	9	-	-	-	-	-	West of Pearl river.
Do do	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	East of Pearl river.
Third quarter of 1841	-	-	12	12	-	-	-	-	-	West of Pearl river.
Do do	-	-	15	5	-	-	-	-	-	Choctaw district.
Do do	-	-	"	1	-	-	3	3	3	Choctaw cession.
Do do	-	18	-	18	261	8	18	18	18	East of Pearl river.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, JACKSON, MISS., October 18, 1841.

B. A. LUDLOW,
Surveyor of the Public Lands south of Tennessee.

B.

Tabular statement of the amount of labor to be performed in this office.

Land districts.	Number of townships the field notes of which are to be recorded in this office.									
	Number of townships, the field notes of which are to be transcribed for the General Land Office.									
	Number of townships of which descriptive notes are to be made out for the district land offices.									
	Number of township maps to be recorded in this office, including those not yet surveyed.									
	Number of township maps to be furnished the General and district land offices, including those not yet surveyed.									
	Estimated number of separate plats and descriptions to be furnished the General and district land offices.									
	Estimated number of separate plats and descriptions yet to be recorded in this office.									
	Estimated number of miles yet to be surveyed and retraced in this surveying district.									
Land districts.										
Choctaw district.	10	6	20	42	-	-	-	-	-	250
Choctaw cession.	45	34	400	40	39	-	-	-	-	4,080
East of Pearl river.	175	16	25	41	8	59	100	480	-	-
West of Pearl river.	53	20	-	155	17	-	150	1,600	-	-
East of the Tombigbee.	9	5	32	32	-	-	-	-	-	-
	81	477	310	55	50	250	4,080			

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, JACKSON, MISS.,
October 13, 1841.

B. A. LUDLOW,
Surveyor of Public Lands south of Tennessee.

C.

Estimate of appropriations required for the remaining work in the surveying district south of Tennessee, October 13, 1841, exclusive of the special appropriation of \$35,840, available on the 31st July, 1840, for surveying in the Choctaw cession and Choctaw district; also, for retracing old surveys in the districts east and west of Pearl river, viz :

For retracing old surveys in the district west of Pearl river, in addition to former appropriations :

1,400 miles intersectional lines in said district, at \$6	-	\$8,400 00
200 miles exterior boundaries, at \$6	-	1,200 00
Total	-	<u>\$9,600 00</u>

For resurveying of fractional township No. 25, of range 8 west \$150 00

For recording field notes in this office :

Choctaw district, 10 townships, at \$7	-	\$70 00
Choctaw cession of 1830, 45 townships, at \$7	-	315 00
East of Pearl river, including the townships under contract, (175,) at \$7	-	1,225 00
District west of Pearl river, 53 townships, at \$7	-	371 00
East of the Tombigbee, 9 townships, at \$7	-	63 00
Total	-	<u>\$2,044 00</u>

Locating private claims in the district east of Pearl river \$1,500 00

For transcribing field notes for transmission to the seat of Government :

In the Choctaw district, 6 townships, at \$7	-	\$42 00
In the Choctaw cession, 34 townships, at \$7	-	238 00
In the district east of Pearl river, 16 townships, at \$7	-	112 00
In the district west of Pearl river, 20 townships, at \$7	-	140 00
In the district east of the Tombigbee, 5 townships, at \$7	-	35 00
Total	-	<u>\$667 00</u>

Township plats to be recorded in this office :

Choctaw district, 42 township plats, at \$3	-	\$126 00
Choctaw cession of 1830, 40 township plats, at \$3	-	120 00
East of Pearl river, 41 township plats, at \$3	-	123 00
West of Pearl river, 155 township plats, at \$3	-	465 00
East of Tombigbee, 33 township plats, at \$3	-	99 00
Total	-	<u>\$933 00</u>

Salary of surveyor general and regular clerks:

For salary of surveyor general	-	-	-	\$2,000 00
For salary of chief clerk	-	-	-	1,200 00
For salary of draughtsman	-	-	-	1,000 00
For office rent	-	-	-	250 00
For fuel	-	-	-	75 00
For stationery, including record book	-	-	-	250 00
Total	-	-	-	<u>\$4,775 00</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Estimate of appropriations required for the service of 1842, viz:

For resurveying west of Pearl river	-	-	-	\$9,600 00
For resurveying township 25, of range 8 west, Choctaw district	-	-	-	150 00
For recording field notes in this office	-	-	-	2,044 00
For transcribing field notes for transmission to Washington	-	-	-	667 00
For recording township plats in this office	-	-	-	933 00
For salaries of surveyor general and clerks, including office rent, fuel, and stationery	-	-	-	4,775 00
For locating private claims in the district east of Pearl river	-	-	-	1,500 00
Total	-	-	-	<u>\$19,669 00</u>

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,
Jackson, (Miss.), Oct. 18, 1841.

B. A. LUDLOW,
Surveyor south of Tennessee.

DIAGRAM

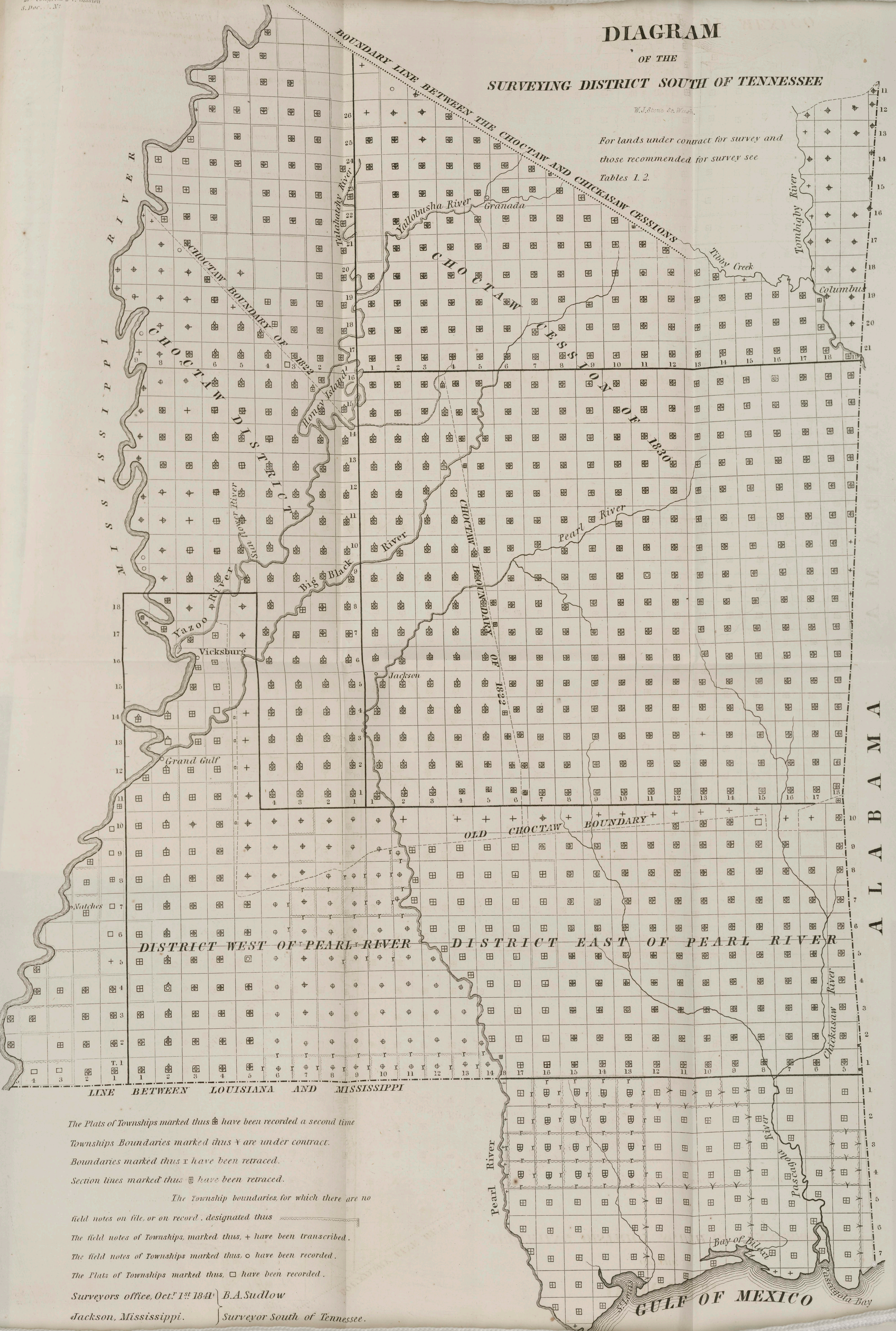
OF THE

SURVEYING DISTRICT SOUTH OF TENNESSEE

W. J. Stone & Co. Wash.

For lands under contract for survey and
those recommended for survey see

Tables 1. 2.



D.

Tabular statement of contracts for surveying in the State of Mississippi, October, 1841.

Dates of contracts or instructions.	Names of contractors.	Time allowed—months.	Estimated No. of miles in contract.	Price per mile—dollars.	Estimated amount of contracts.	Miles returned to this office, and ready for settlement.	Miles returned to this office, and paid for.	Miles suspended until certain corrections are made in the surveys.	Whole number of miles returned to this office.	Miles relinquished.	Miles which remain to be returned.	Amount paid on contracts.	Remarks.
			Mi.	Dols. cts.	Mi.	Mi.	Mi.	Mi.	Mi.	Mi.	Dols. cts.		
Feb. 28, 1840	G. M. Brown	- 10	900	5 4,500 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Expected that Mr. Brown will relinquish his entire contract.
Mar. 1, 1839	John Rayburn	- 12	650	5 3,250 00	-	130*	100	130*	100	420	677 37	-	Balance of work in progress.
Dec. 10, 1840	Henry Hamblin	- 6	223*	8 1,785 78	-	223*	-	223*	-	-	1,785 78	-	Completed and paid for in the 3d quarter of 1841.
May 19, 1841	Henry Hamblin	- 6	78	8 624 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	78	-	Work progressing in the field.
Sept. 21, 1841	Henry Hamblin	- 6	186	8 1,498 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	186	-	Work progressing in the field.
Dec. 11, 1840	Thos. H. Gillespie	- 6	170	8 1,360 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	170	-	This contract, it is believed, will be relinquished.
Dec. 14, 1840	A. H. Wiley	- 6	264	8 2,112 00	-	-	-	-	-	264	-	-	Relinquished, and contracted to Henry Hamblin, per contracts of 19th May and 21st Sept. 1841.
Feb. 1, 1841	Henry C. Daniel	- 12	271	8 2,168 00	271	-	-	271	-	-	-	-	Completed, but not paid for.
Feb. 1, 1841	Henry C. Daniel	- 12	1,090½	6 6,543 00	1,090½	-	-	1,090½	-	-	-	-	Work examined and maps completed.
Sept. 28, 1841	Henry C. Daniel	- 12	400	8 3,200 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	Work progressing in the field.
May 14, 1841	Hugh C. Stewart	- 5	350	8 2,800 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	350	-	Completed, but not returned to this office.
May 3, 1841	Carver & Monett	- 6	330	6 1,980 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	330	-	Work progressing in the field.
May 3, 1841	Carver & Monett	- 6	150	8 1,200 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	-	Work progressing in the field.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, JACKSON, (MISS.,) October 18, 1841.

B. A. LUDLOW, Surveyor south of Tennessee.

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TABLE I—Being a list of the townships and fractional townships in the Choctaw cession of 1830, Mississippi, under contract for survey.

Townships 21, 22, 23, and 27, north, range 1 east; townships 26, 27, 28, and 29, north, range 1 west; townships 27, 28, and 29, north, range 2 west; townships 20, 21, 28, 29, and 30, north, range 3 west; townships 20, 21, and 25, north, range 4 west; townships 21 and 27 north, range 5 west; township 25 north, range 6 west.

Under contract for retracing south of 34° of latitude: Townships 1, 2, and 3, south, range 6 west; townships 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, south, range 4 west.

TABLE II—Being a list of the townships and fractional townships in the Choctaw cession of 1830, yet to be surveyed.

Township 25 north, range 1 west; townships 22 and 23 north, range 5 west; townships 20 and 21 north, range 6 west.

Townships yet to be retraced: Township 13 north, range 2 east; township 14 north, range 4 east; townships 6, 7, and 9, north, range 1 west; townships 5 and 6 north, range 2 west; townships 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8, north, range 3 west; townships 1, 2, and 6, north, range 4 west; and township 1 north, range 5 west—all west of Pearl river.

Also, township 9 north, range 6 west, east of Pearl river.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Florence, Alabama, October 25, 1841.

SIR: I have to acknowledge the receipt of your circular letter of the 18th ultimo, calling for the annual report of the operations of this surveying department, "and the internal operations of this office," for the year ending 30th September last, and the estimates for the year 1842.

In compliance with your requisition, I beg leave to report that, since the last annual report, under date 16th November last, the surveying operations of this department have been confined within narrow limits; all the *public surveys* north of the 31st parallel having been completed, except the retracing of these townships of which the original field notes are lost.

Offe deputy, Mr. David B. Scott, under contract 16th July, 1840, has been engaged in completing the unfinished portions of fractional townships bordering on the Perdido river, and unfinished portions of townships south of the 31st degree, between the Mobile and Tensaw rivers, and extending down as far as the southern boundary of township 4 south. The work on the Perdido has been finished, and township No. 1 south, ranges 1 and 2 east, (between the rivers,) returned to this office, received, and paid for. The plats of those townships on the Perdido have also been prepared and sent to the General Land Office and the register's office, under date 7th June last.

The deputy, after making return of his work as far as completed; left this in March last, for the purpose of finishing the remainder of his contract during the last summer and the present fall season, when the waters are generally low, and the swamps dry, when, only, can the field operations be performed. I have no doubt, unless he should fall sick, he will be able to complete his work, and make return of it during the winter. My other deputy, John James, has so far recovered his health, which had been almost completely destroyed by exposure, in wading the swamps, &c., as to be able to make some further progress in locating and surveying the

private claims north and south of the 31st parallel. But he, or no other surveyor, I fear, can ever bring that work to completion, under the present state of things. Many of these claims have been located and surveyed two or three times, under the instructions of the respective registers who have filed the office at St. Stephen's and Augusta, Jackson court-house. Hence confusion and discrepancies will arise, and the matter will never be closed. I have, therefore, most respectfully to urge, as I did in my last annual report, that the laws regulating the location of these private claims be so modified as to clothe the surveyor general with discretionary power to make the locations from the best data to be procured; and, when made, to remain final and permanent. In this way only, I conceive, can the claims ever be located and surveyed.

The appropriation for that service is exhausted; and I have to submit a requisition for the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, to be expended at a rate not exceeding eight dollars per mile, to be provided for at the next session of Congress.

At the last regular session of Congress an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars was made "for retracing certain old surveys in the State of Alabama," the records or field notes of which have been consumed by fire, in order that the original "landmarks" might be obtained, and placed upon record in the General Land Office and this office. Owing to some cause unknown to this office, the instructions for that work have not yet reached this office; and, as the season is now far advanced, it is presumed nothing will be done in the matter during the present year. But I cannot cease to bring to the attention of the head of the General Land Office the urgent necessity that the work should be commenced and completed. In my two last annual reports I have stated all the circumstances fully; and have only to add that, not doubting the concurrence of the present head of the General Land Office in the views heretofore submitted and concurred in, I shall now submit an estimate for an additional appropriation of eight thousand six hundred and forty dollars, for the retracing the lines of 30 townships, making in all 80 townships for the year 1842, which I can have retraced, the field notes returned, examined, and prepared for the General Land Office, by the regular force in this office, during the year 1842.

During the last year, the draughtsman and clerk have devoted their time to the bringing up all arrears—such as making copies of the surveys of the Choctaw, Chickasaw, Creek, and Cherokee cessions; all of which have now been fully prepared, and are ready for binding into the record books of this office. The original field notes of the Cherokee cession have also been recorded in the books, by an extra clerk, during the past year.

I cannot consent to close this communication without bringing to your view the equitable and just claim the surveyors general have upon the Government, for office rent and fuel for the past years. Congress made an appropriation at the last regular session for those items, including them in the general appropriation, as a part of the expenses incident to the surveys of the public lands. That was a just and equitable provision. Office rent and fuel are as much a contingent charge upon the public surveys as stationery and postage; and I hope, upon a proper representation of this claim to the attention of the Legislature, an equitable and just allowance will be made.

I have, then, to submit, as requisite to the efficient operations of this office for the year 1842, the following sums, to wit:

Retracing the original lines of 30 townships, 2,160 miles, at	
\$4 per mile	\$8,640 00
Survey and location of private claims north and south 31st	
degree of latitude, at a rate not to exceed \$8 per mile	2,500 00
Salary of surveyor general	2,000 00
Salary of the draughtsman	1,200 00
Salary of the clerk	1,000 00
Office rent and fuel	250 00
Contingent expenses	200 00
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	15,790 00

Document marked A exhibits the unexpended balance of the public moneys in my hands on the 30th of September last, applicable to the surveys of the public lands, private claims, and the current expenses of this office.

I am, sir, with great respect, your obedient servant,

JAS. H. WEAKLEY,

Surveyor General of the Public Lands in Alabama.

Hon. E. M. HUNTINGTON,

Commissioner General Land Office, Washington.

A.

General statement of the disbursements for surveying in the district comprising the State of Alabama.

Balance remaining in my hands on the 30th September last,	
as per my account for incidental expenses	\$2,104 51
Balance due me on the 30th September last, as per my account rendered for surveys at augmented prices	118 64
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Balance in my hands	\$1,985 90

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

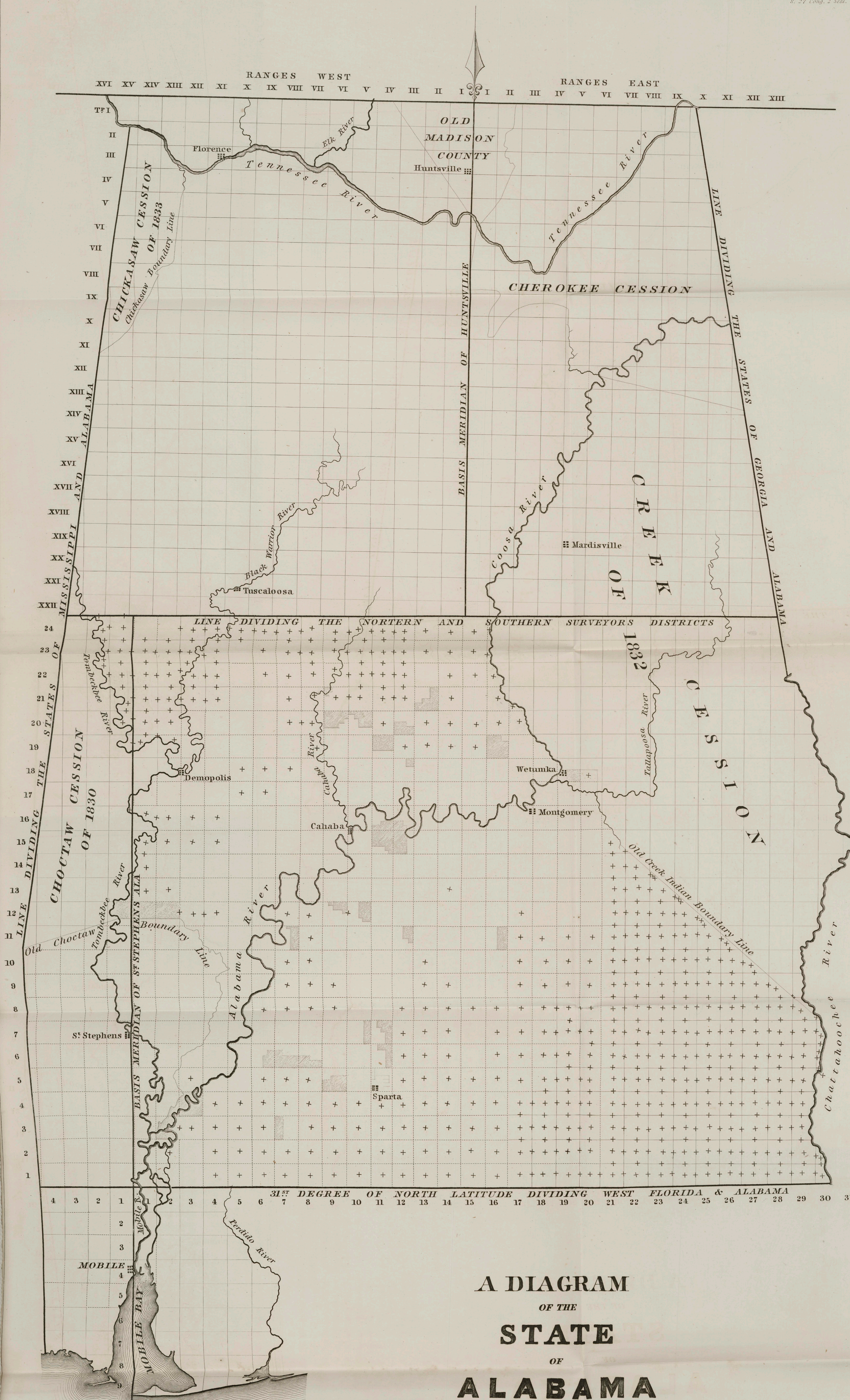
Florence, (Ala.), October 25, 1841.

JAMES H. WEAKLEY,

Surveyor General of the Public Lands in Alabama.

TABLE I.—Being a list of the townships and fractional townships in Alabama, recommended to be retraced in 1842.

Townships 17 and 24 north, range 1 east; townships 17, 18, and 24, north, range 2 east; townships 17, 18, 19, and 20, north, ranges 3 and 4 east; townships 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23 north, range 5 east; townships 15, 16, 19, 20, and 21, north, range 6 east; townships 15, 16, 17, and 19, north, range 7 east; townships 15, 16, 17, and 18, north, range 8 east; townships 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20, north, ranges 9 and 10 east; townships 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19, north, range 11 east; townships 15, 16, 17, 18, and 20, north, range 12 east; townships 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, and 22, north, range 13 east; townships 15, 16, 17, and 18, north, range 14 east; townships 15, 16, 17, 18, and 21, north, range 15 east; townships 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19, north, ranges 16, 17, and 18, east; townships 15, 16, 17, and 18, north, range 19 east; townships 15, 16, and 17, north, range 20 east; and township 16 north, range 21 east.



**A DIAGRAM
OF THE
STATE
OF
ALABAMA**

W.J. Stone Sc. Wash.

Exhibiting the situation of the Public Surveys, shewing what records of the same are on file in the General Land Office and the Surveyor General's Office, the Townships, the field notes of which are yet to be transcribed for the General Land Office and recorded in this Office, also, what Townships, the original field notes of which are not on file in either Office, having been destroyed by fire in December 1827, and which have to be retraced for the purpose of obtaining the Original Land Marks to be preserved on record in the General Land Office and this Office.

Surveyor's Office,
Florence Alabama 25 Oct. 1841.
Jas H. Weakley Surveyor General
of the Public Lands in Alabama

REFERENCES

Copies of the Original field notes of all the Townships, in the Northern District except Old Madison County the Township lines designated thus and Township N^o 12 Range N^o 5 East are on file in this Office and the General Land Office. The field notes of the Townships South of the 31st except those lines designated thus are on file here, and have to be transcribed for the General Land Office, and recorded in this Office. Of the Township lines designated thus and Townships in blank in the Southern District, there are no field notes on record either here, or in the General Land Office. Copies of the Township lines and sectional lines marked thus x are on file here and in the General Land Office. Of those parts of Townships designated thus Copies of the field notes are on record here and in the General Land Office.

For Townships of which it is proposed to retrace the old lines, in 1842, for which an appropriation of \$15,000 has been made and a further one of \$8,640 now asked. See Table 1.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Tallahassee, October 8, 1841.

SIR: I have the honor to make my annual report, pursuant to your circular of the 18th ultimo. Accompanied you will receive triplicate maps of those forwarded last year, there not being any changes to note thereon, owing to the continuance of the Indian war.

The Supreme Court of the United States having finally determined the appeal relative to Fort St. Mark's and its dependencies, I have it in charge to contract for the survey of the land awarded under that decree, and the laying off the town of St. Mark's within its limits, and have only been prevented from doing so by the prevalence of yellow fever on the coast; the completion of which will enable me to report the residue of the large claim of Forbes & Co. to your office.

Document A exhibits the amount due me from the United States, per my quarterly accounts, ending 30th ultimo. Document B exhibits the only contract made in the year.

Estimate for 1842, (heretofore suspended by Indian hostilities.)

Surveying 500 miles of private claims, at \$4 per mile	-	\$2,000 00
Old surveys, ordered in 1837, at \$5 per mile, public lands	-	6,000 00
New surveys, ordered in 1840, at \$5 per mile, public lands	-	10,000 00
Connexions with public lands	-	1,500 00

Salaries and contingencies.

Surveyor general	-	2,000 00
Three clerks, current duties of the office, (only one in commission until the field operations can be again commenced, by the removal of the Indians)	-	3,000 00
Office rent and fuel	-	430 00
Stationery	-	220 00
Total estimate	-	<u>\$25,150 00</u>

Balance due me from the United States, per last quarterly accounts, 30th September, 1841, \$2,851 46.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your most obedient servant,

ROBERT BUTLER,

Surveyor General.

E. M. HUNTINGTON, Esq.,

Commissioner General Land Office.

A.

General statement of disbursement for surveying in the Territory of Florida.

Balance due me from the United States, 30th September, 1841 \$2,851 46

ROBERT BUTLER,

Surveyor General.

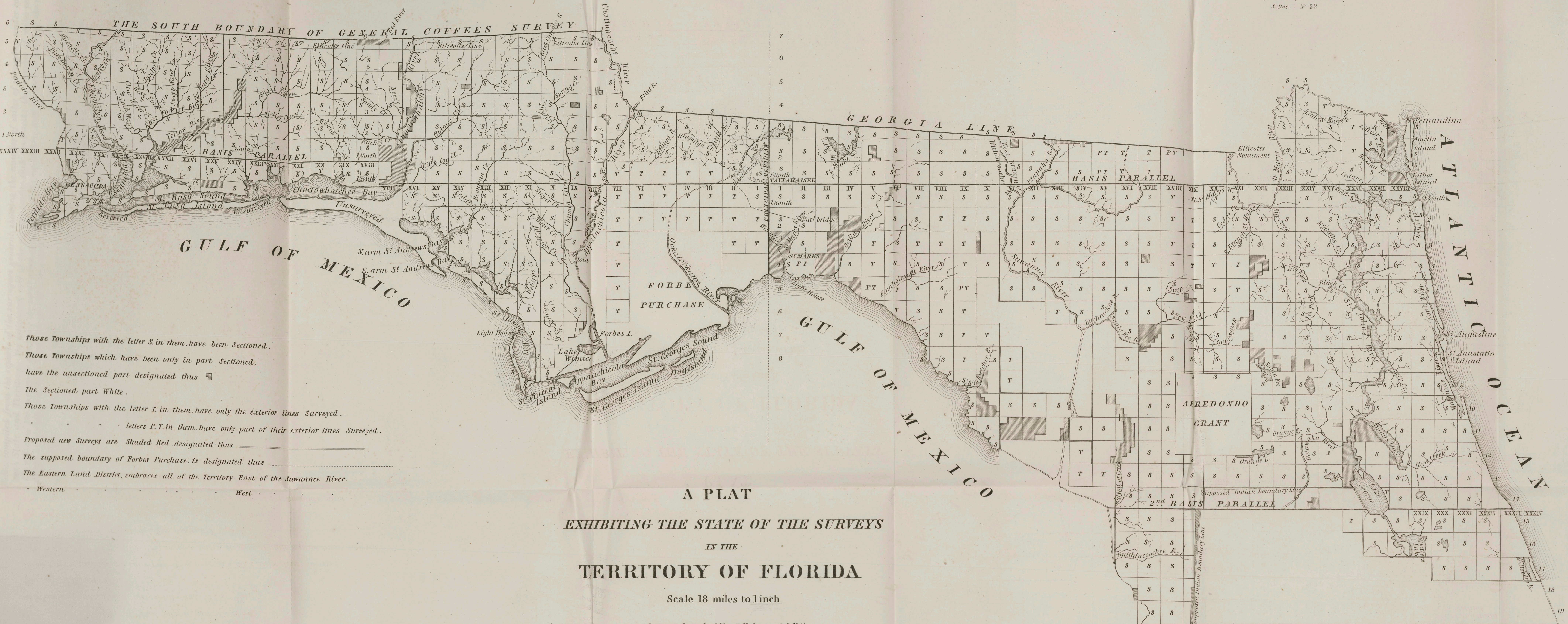
B.

Tabular statement of contracts for surveying in the Territory of Florida.

Date.	By whom.	Land district.	Time allowed.	Estimated number of miles in contract.	Rate per mile.	Am't of contract.	Whole number of miles returned.	Miles suspended, included in miles returned.	Miles relinquished.	Amount paid on account.	Remarks on the state of the work.
December 29, 1840	Samuel A. Jewett -	East	3 months	25 miles	\$4	\$130 11	32.51	-	-	In full \$130 11	Work returned 3d of May.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Tallahassee, October 8, 1841.

ROBERT BUTLER, *Surveyor General.*



Those Townships with the letter S. in them, have been Sectioned.
Those Townships which have been only in part Sectioned,
have the unsectioned part designated thus
The Sectioned part White.
Those Townships with the letter T. in them, have only the exterior lines Surveyed.
letters P.T. in them, have only part of their exterior lines Surveyed.
Proposed new Surveys are Shaded Red, designated thus
The supposed boundary of Forbes Purchase, is designated thus
The Eastern Land District, embraces all of the Territory East of the Suwannee River.
Western West

A PLAT
EXHIBITING THE STATE OF THE SURVEYS
IN THE
TERRITORY OF FLORIDA

Scale 18 miles to an inch

Surveyor Generals Office Tallahassee Oc^r 1841

Approved
Robert Butler Sur^t Gen^l

W. J. Stone & Co. Wash.

Table, compiled from the reports of the surveyors general, showing the number of miles of surveying under contract in each State and Territory; the estimated cost of the surveys under such contracts; the number of miles returned to the offices of the surveyors general; the sums paid on account of the contracts; and the cash balances of the surveying funds remaining in their hands on the 30th September, 1841.

State or Territory.	Number of miles in the contracts.	Estimated cost of the surveying.	Miles returned to the offices of the surveyors general.	Amount paid on account.	Cash balances in the hands of the surveyors general on September 30, 1841.	Remarks.
Ohio - - -	-	-	-	-	} \$3,401 88	
Indiana - - -	-	-	-	-		
Michigan - - -	1,660	\$6,065 00	1,660	-		
Illinois - - -	8,990	26,082 64	4,829	\$14,671 46		
Missouri - - -	10,989	34,566 00	5,865	22,596 00.		
Wisconsin Territory -	576	1,641 05	378	797 49	-	No report received from this office.
Iowa " - - -	3,382	9,264 45	1,976	-		
Arkansas - - -	-	-	-	-		
Louisiana - - -	8,602	48,945 61	6,332	23,560 00		
Mississippi - - -	4,575	29,113 71	1,591	677 37		
Alabama - - -	-	-	-	-	1,985 90	Surveys south of 31° of lat. in progress, but the number of miles not known. Operations suspended.
Florida Territory - -	-	-	-	-	-	
Total - - -	38,774	155,678 46	22,631	62,302 32	16,815 11	

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, December 24, 1841.

E. M. HUNTINGTON, *Commissioner.*

[To be annexed to Doc. No. 24.]

ANNUAL REPORT—COMMISSIONER GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A communication from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, enclosing the report and estimates of the surveyor general at Little Rock, Arkansas.

JANUARY 6, 1842.

Printed by order of the House of Representatives.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

January 3, 1842.

SIR: I have the honor to submit a communication from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, enclosing a copy of the report and estimates of the surveyor general at Little Rock, Arkansas, received at that office since the communication to the House of Representatives of the Commissioner's annual report, which it was intended to accompany.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. FORWARD,

Secretary of the Treasury.

HON. JOHN WHITE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,

December 31, 1841.

SIR: As promised in my late annual report, I have the honor to transmit, herewith, copies in duplicate of the report and estimates of the surveyor general at Little Rock, Arkansas, which has just reached this office, and which I would respectfully recommend may be submitted to Congress, and printed with the annual report of this office, which it was intended to accompany.

It is found, on examination of the above report, that no change will be necessary in the surveying estimates heretofore submitted by the department, but that there may be expected to be returned to this office the plats of survey of one million acres more land for market, in each six months of the year 1842, than is set down opposite to Arkansas in the exhibit contained in the body of my report; making a difference of two millions of acres more in the expected returns of the year.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

E. M. HUNTINGTON,

Commissioner.

To the Hon. WALTER FORWARD,
Secretary of the Treasury.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,

Little Rock, December 7, 1841.

SIR: The accompanying diagrams, marked A, (in triplicate,) and statements marked B, (Nos. 1 and 2,) D, E, and F, have been prepared, in accordance with your circular of the 18th September, 1841.

Diagram A (in triplicate) shows what advance has been made in the surveys of this district, what progress has been made in copying field notes of survey for transmission to the seat of Government, and designates the proposed new surveys. The proposed new surveys consist of about 60 subdivisions of townships in the uplands, and 24 in the cane and bottom lands; all of which have been selected with regard to the quality of the land, and the number of settlers thereon located. The exterior work proposed will amount to about 762 miles, and constitutes nearly all of the unsurveyed boundaries of townships in this State.

It will be found, upon examination of the diagram, that the field notes of nearly all the surveys have been transcribed for transmission to the seat of Government, but only about one-third of the transcripts sent. Those which remain to be sent constitute about twenty volumes, and were mostly copied during my predecessor's term of office; of those, three volumes have been compared, and are now ready to send. To examine and prepare the remaining seventeen volumes, I shall need, as I informed you in my letter of the 14th of October, 1841, the assistance of an additional clerk, for a time not exceeding ninety days, to defray which expense you will find an item among my estimates for the year 1842, (a copy of which is herewith sent, and marked F.) On account of the present considerable arrears in the affairs of this office, occasioned, I am induced to believe, by the want of sufficient clerical force to bring and keep them up, and for the reason that there can be no particular demand at the General Land Office for transcripts of the remaining uncopied field notes of survey, I would recommend a discontinuance of that branch of business for a year or so, to be resumed again when it may be deemed expedient.

B Nos. 1 and 2 are statements showing what contracts for surveying in Arkansas were unfinished and not fully paid for on the 30th September, 1841.

C Nos. 1 and 2 are statements *describing, by the numbers of the townships and ranges*, the condition of the incomplete contracts for surveying up

to the 30th September, 1841. From these statements it will be seen that there are several old contracts, a considerable portion of the surveys in each of which are in a suspended state. It is my object and intention to bring these to a close as soon as possible. The other unfinished contracts will, I have reason to hope, be completed before the expiration of the present winter. The most of these contracts, however, are situated in the swamp and overflowed parts of the State, which generally makes the work exceedingly difficult of execution, and the time very short and uncertain when it can be prosecuted. Under these circumstances, the deputies cannot be expected to make prompt returns, and must, of necessity, and in justice to them, be indulged with extensions of their contract terms.

D is a statement showing what contracts for surveying have been brought to a close and fully paid for between the dates of 30th September, 1840, and the 30th September, 1841, including also those which have been relinquished in that period.

E is a copy of the estimates of the expenses of this office for the year 1842, which was sent to the Register of the Treasury on the 3d instant.

F is an exhibit of the disbursements made by me, both for salaries and compensation of clerks and on surveying accounts, since my taking charge of the office.

According to the records of this office, there have been furnished, since the report of the 30th September, 1840, ninety-two plats of townships to the General Land Office; and ninety-one to the district land offices; besides which, there have, in the mean time, been prepared ninety-two for retention at this office; making, in the aggregate, two hundred and seventy-five plats of townships draughted in this office since the report of the 30th September, 1840. On the 30th September, 1841, there were ninety-two plats of townships due the General, and ninety-one due the district land offices, the surveys of which had been returned, paid for, and for which regular vouchers were taken and rendered.

After the proposed new surveys shall have been completed and paid for, which it is probable they will be before the expiration of next surveying season, I calculate that there will be unexpended of the existing appropriations about \$13,000. As this amount will be sufficient to pay for the survey of only about half of the public lands which I shall recommend during the year 1842, I have, as you will find from statement F, estimated for another appropriation of \$10,000.

In addition to the number of clerks now in employment in this office, I have, it will be seen from statement E, estimated for two more. This accession of force will be absolutely necessary, to enable me to carry out the views of Mr. King, the *examiner*, and to bring up the arrears in the ordinary business of the office. It is Mr. King's opinion, in which I concur with him, that all the old plats of townships which are not authenticated by the surveyor general should be made out *anew* from the *field notes*. There is a book on file in this office, containing 382 plats, besides some loose ones, which bear no marks of authentication, all of which were received in this condition from the surveyor's office at St Louis, at the time of the establishment of this office; since which time, owing to constant use, and to the fact that the paper upon which they were made out was originally very inferior, many of them have become too much torn and defaced for further use. He also recommends the adoption of the plan pursued in some of the surveyor's offices, of transcribing the field notes into perma-

nent record books, for use and preservation at this office. To carry into operation these two important objects, I have, as before stated, estimated for two additional clerks. All of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM PELHAM,

Surveyor Public Lands.

To E. M. HUNTINGTON, Esq.,

Commissioner General Land Office.



*Map of the Arkansas Surveying district, shewing the extent of Public Surveys in said district on the 30th September 1840. The Surveyed exteriors are indicated by black lines: the subdivided Townships by the letter S: Townships and lines, the field notes of which have been transcribed and sent to the General Land Office are designated by this mark *; those which have been copied but not sent, by this mark o.*

Surveyors Office } W^m Pelham
Little Rock 30th Sept. 1841. } Sur. Pub. Lands

Note. For proposed new surveys in 1842 see Tables 1 and 2.

Tabular statement of contracts for surveying in Arkansas, under general appropriations, which are unfinished, and not fully paid for on this day, (September 30, 1841.)

Nos. referred to in statement C No. 1.	Date of contract or instructions.	Names of contractors.	Time allowed, in months.	Estimated number of miles in contract.	Price per mile.	Estimated amount of contract.	Miles returned to this office, and ready for settlement.	Miles returned to this office, and paid for.	Miles suspended until certain corrections are made in surveys.	Whole number of miles returned to this office.	Miles relinquished.	Miles which remain to be returned.	Amount paid on contract.	Remarks.
1	Oct. 27, 1836	Wm. D. Ferguson and A. J. Greer.	18	1,000	\$4	\$4,000	-	-	269	269	731			
2	Feb. 6, 1837	John H. Rawls -	12	550	4	2,200	-	-	350	350	200			
3	Aug. 30, 1837	Albert Rust & Shelton Watson.	12	960	3	2,880	400	-	480	880	-	150		
4	Dec. 18, 1837.	William Pelham & Phil. W. Roberts.	12	475	3 & 4	1,650	46	253½	-	299½	60	116	\$845 17	See voucher No. 4, 1st qr. 1840.
5	Dec. 19, 1837	Charles H. Pelham	12	340	3 & 4	1,250	-	422	-	422	-	80	1,494 63	See voucher No. 3, 4th quarter 1839, and voucher No. 1, 4th quarter 1840.
6	Dec. 19, 1838	Wm. D. Ferguson and A. J. Greer.	15	500	4	2,000	-	-	31	31	-	469		
7	Oct. 30, 1839	Leroy Williams -	12	360	4	1,440	-	105	-	105	-	260	420 26	See voucher No. 4, 1st qr. 1841.
8	Feb. 1, 1841	Charles E. Moore -	4	375	4	1,500	-	337	-	337	-	38	1,347 85	See voucher No. 4, 2d qr. 1841.
9	Feb. 22, 1841	Israel M. Moore -	4	280	3 & 4	1,000	-	192	-	192	-	88	648 14	See voucher No. 2, 2d qr. 1841.
10	Mar. 6, 1841	Leroy Williams -	4	333	3	1,000	-	259½	-	259½	-	70	778 51	See voucher No. 2, 3d qr. 1841.
							446		1,130			1,271		

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, LITTLE ROCK, September 30, 1841.

WILLIAM PELHAM, Surveyor Public Lands.

Tabular statement of contracts of surveying in Arkansas, at augmented prices, under the special appropriation of \$6,000, which are unfinished, and not fully paid for at this time, (September 30, 1841.)

Nos. referred to in statement C No. 2.	Date of contract or instructions.	Names of contractors.	Time allowed—months.	Estimated number of miles in contract.	Price per mile.	Estimated amount of contract.	Miles returned to this office, and paid for.	Miles suspended until corrections are made in the surveys.	Whole number of miles returned to this office.	Miles relinquished.	Miles which remain to be return- ed.	Amount paid for on contract.	Remarks.
11	June 6, 1838	F. Woodward -	4	42	\$6	\$250	-	13	13	29			
12	Oct. 30, 1839	Leroy Williams & Horace B. Allis -	18	246	6	1,476	54½	14	-	-	177	\$329 09	See voucher No. 7, 1st quarter 1841.
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SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, LITTLE ROCK, September 30, 1841.

WILLIAM PELHAM,
Surveyor of Public Lands.

Tabular statement describing the unfinished contracts for surveying in Arkansas, under the general appropriations, and their conditions, by the numbers of the townships and ranges in each contract, up to the 30th of September, 1841.

Nos. corresponding to those in statement B No. 1.	Date of contract.	Contractors.	Townships and lines returned to this office.			Townships and lines which remain to be returned.	Townships and lines relinquished.
			Paid for.	Ready for settlement.	Not ready for settlement.		
1	1836. Oct. 27	W. D. Ferguson and Andrew J. Greer.	- - - - -	- - - - -	Subdivision of township 11 north, range 9 east; township 13 north, ranges 11 and 12 east; township 14 north, ranges 12 and 13 east; and township 15 north, range 13 east. East boundaries of township 11 north, range 8 east; township 12 north, range 9 east; township 13 north, ranges 10 and 11 east; township 14 north, ranges 11 and 12 east; and township 15 north, range 12 east. South boundaries of township 12 north, range 9 east; town-	- - - - -	Subdivision of townships 9, 10, 11, and 12 north, range 7 east; townships 10, 11, & 12 north, range 8 east; township 12 north, range 9 east; townships 12, 13, and 14 north, range 10 east; township 14 north, range 11 east; and township 15 north, ranges 11 and 12 east. East boundr's of townships 9, 10, 11, and 12 north, range 6 east; townships 10, 11, and 12 north, range 7 east; township 12 north, range 8 east; townships 13 and 14 north, range 9 east; town-

STATEMENT C No. 1—Continued.

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Nos. corresponding to those in statement B No. 1.	Date of contract.	Contractors.	Townships and lines returned to this office.			Townships and lines which remain to be returned.	Townships and lines relinquished.
			Paid for.	Ready for settlement.	Not ready for settlement.		
					ship 14 north, ranges 11 and 12 east; township 15 north, ranges 12 and 13 east; and township 16 north, range 13 east.		ships 14 and 15 north, range 10 east; and township 15 north, range 11 east. South boundaries of township 10 north, range 7 east; townships 11, 12, and 13 north, ranges 7 and 8 east; township 13 north, range 9 east; townships 13, 14, and 15 north, range 10 east; townships 15 and 16 north, range 11 east; and towns'p 16 north, range 12 east.
2	1837. Feb. 6	John H. Rawls			Subdivision of township 4 south, range 2 east; townships 4 and 5 south, range 1 east; and towns'p 17 south, ranges 2 and 3 west. East boundary township 19 south, range 5 west; south boundary of township 4 south, range 2 east.		Subdivision of townships 18 & 19 south, ranges 4 and 5 west. East boundary of township 19 south, range 6 west.

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Albert Rust and
Shelton Watson.

Subdivision of town-
ship 17 south, ran-
ges 14 and 16 west;
township 19 south,
range 15 west; and
township 20 south,
ranges 15 and 16
west. East bounda-
ries of township 16
south, ranges 14 and
15 west; township 17
south, ranges 14, 15,
16, and 17 west;
township 18 south,
ranges 14, 15, 16,
and 17 west; town-
ship 19 south, ranges
11, 12, 13, 14, 16,
and 17 west; and
township 20 south,
ranges 13, 14, 15, 16,
and 17 west. South
boundaries of town-
ship 16 south, ranges
13, 14, 15, and 16
west; township 17
south, ranges 13, 14,
15, and 16 west;
township 18 south,
ranges, 13, 14, 15,
and 16 west; and
township 19 south,
ranges 13, 14, and 15
west.

Subdivision of town-
ship 16 south, range
16 west; township
17 south, ranges 15
and 17 west; township
18 south, ranges 15,
16, and 17 west; and
township 19 south,
range 16 west.
East boundr's of town-
ship 16 south, ranges
16 and 17 west; and
township 19 south,
range 15 west.
South boundaries of
townships 16, 17, 18
and 19 south, range
17 west; and town-
ship 19 south, ranges
12 and 16 west.

Subdivision of town-
ships 16, 19, and 20
south, range 17 west.
East bound'y of town-
ship 19 south, ranges
7, 8, 9 and 10 west.

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Nos. corresponding to those in statement B No. 1.	Date of contract.	Contractors.	Townships and lines returned to this office.			Townships and lines which remain to be returned.	Townships and lines relinquished.
			Paid for.	Ready for settlement.	Not ready for settlement.		
4	1837. Dec. 18.	Wm. Pelham and P. W. Roberts.	Subdivision of township 6 north, range 5 west; township 7 north, range 6 west; and township 8 north, range 5 west. East boundaries of townships 5, 6, 7, and 8 north, range 5 west. South boundaries of township 5 north, range 5 west; township 7 north, ranges 4 and 5 west; and township 8 north, ranges 4 and 5 west—all west of White river.	Subdivision of townships 5 and 6 north, range 4 west, (west of White river,) except the meanders of river.	-	Subdivision of townships 7 and 8 north, range 4 west; and townships 5 and 7 north, range 5 west—all west of White river.	Subdivision of township 6 north, range 3 west.
5	Dec. 19.	Charles H. Pelham.	Subdivision of t. 14 & 15 n. r. 2 w.; t. 9 & 10 n. r. 3 w.; and that part of t. 8 n. r. 4 w. between Taylor's bay and White river. East boundary of t. 9 n. r. 3 w. South bound'y of township 10 north, range 3 west.	-	-	Subdivision of township 9 north, range 4 west.	

6	1838. Dec. 19.	Wm. D. Ferguson and Andrew J. Greer.	-	-	-	-	-	-	Subdivision of part of township 12 north, range 10 east.	Subdivision of townships 13 & 14 north, range 10 east; townships 14 & 15 north, range 11 east; and township 15 north, range 12 east. East boundaries of townships 13 & 14 north, range 9 east; townships 14 & 15 north, range 10 east; and township 15 north, range 11 east. South boundaries of townships 13, 14, and 15 north, range 10 east; townships 15 and 16 north, range 11 east; and townships 16 north, range 12 east.
7	1839. Oct. 30.	Leroy Williams	Subdivision of township 4 south, range 1 west.	-	-	-	-	-	-	Subdivision of townships 5, 6, and 7 south, range 1 west.
8	1841. Feb. 1.	Chas. E. Moore	Subdivision of townships 14 south, ranges 25, 26, 27, and 28 west; township 15 south, ranges 25 & 26 west; and townships 16 south, range 25 west—all south of Red river.	-	-	-	-	-	-	Subdivision of township 13 south, ranges 26 & 27 west—south of Red river.
9	Feb. 22.	J. M. Moore	Subdivision of township 14 south, range 29 west; and township 15 south, ranges 28 and 29 west—all south of Red river.	-	-	-	-	-	-	East boundaries of townships 17 & 18 south, ranges 26, 27, and 28 west; and township 19 south, ranges 27 & 28 west. South boundaries of town-

STATEMENT C No. 1—Continued.

Nos. corresponding to those in statement B No. 1.	Date of contract.	Contractors.	Townships and lines returned to this office.			Townships and lines which remain to be returned.	Townships and lines relinquished.
			Paid for.	Ready for settlement.	Not ready for settlement.		
10	1841. March 6.	Leroy Williams	Subdivision of township 10 north, ranges 12, 13, and 14 west; and township 11 north, range 12 west.	-	-	ship 17 south, ranges 25, 26, 27, and 28 west; and townships 18 and 19 south, ranges 26, 27, and 28 west—all south of Red river. Subdivision of township 11 north, range 15 west.	

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, LITTLE ROCK, September 30, 1841.

WM. PELHAM,
Surveyor Public Lands.

Tubular statement describing the unfinished contracts for surveying in Arkansas, at augmented prices, under the special appropriation of \$6,000, and their condition, by the numbers of the townships and ranges in each contract, up to the 30th September, 1841.

Nos. corresponding to those in statement B No. 2.	Date of contracts.	Contractors.	Townships and lines returned to this office.		Townships and lines which remain to be returned.	Townships and lines relinquished.
			Paid for.	Not ready for settlement.		
11	1838. June 6 -	Francis Woodward	- - -	Extention to the State line of some of the section lines in each of the following townships, viz : township 20 south, ranges 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25, west.	- - - -	The extension to the State line of the unfinished lines of survey in township 20 south, ranges from 18 to 26, inclusive.
12	1839. October 30	Leroy Williams and H. B. Allis.	Subdivision of township 3 south, range 1 west, south of White river, and north half of township 3 south, range 2 east.	Subdivision of part of township 3 south, range 2 west.	Subdivision of part of each of the following named townships, viz: township 1 north, ranges 3 and 4 west, (west of White and Cache rivers:) townships 1 and 2 south, range 3 west; township 2 south, range 2 west; and township 6 south, range 1 east.	

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, LITTLE ROCK, September 30, 1841.

WILLIAM PELHAM, *Surveyor Public Lands.*

D.

Tabular statement of contracts for surveying in Arkansas, which have been completed and paid for since the report of the 30th September, 1840, and for which proper vouchers have been rendered; including, also, those which have been relinquished.

Date of contract or instructions.	Contractors.	State.	Time allowed.	Estimated No. of miles in contract.	Price pr. mile.	Estimated amount of contract.	Whole No. of miles returned this office.	Miles relinquished.	Amount paid on account.	Remarks.
1839.			Mo.							
January 2	C. E. & I. M. Moore	Ark.	15	250	\$4	\$1,000 00	296½	-	\$1,184 75	Account settled; see voucher No. 2, 2d quarter, 1839, and voucher No. 3, 4th quarter, 1840.
January 23	John M. Shultz & Wm. H. Ewing.	Do	12	210	4	840 00	199½	-	797 49	Account settled; see voucher No. 5, 1st quarter, 1840, and voucher No. 2, 4th quarter, 1840.
April 11 -	Allen Martin & S. Johnson.	Do	12	500	4	2,000 00	786	-	3,144 61	Account settled; see voucher No. 2, 2d quarter, 1840, and voucher No. 1, 3d quarter, 1841.
October 14 1840.	C. E. & I. M. Moore	Do	15	368	4	1,472 00	423	-	1,692 29	Account settled; see voucher No. 6, 1st quarter, 1840, and voucher No. 3, 4th quarter, 1840.
October 8 -	C. E. & I. M. Moore	Do	3	540	3	1,620 00	556	-	1,668 02	Account settled; see voucher No. 1, 1st quarter, 1841.
October 26	Allen Martin	Do	3	165	4	660 00	155½	-	622 86	Account settled; see voucher No. 4, 4th quarter, 1840.
Nov. 5 -	John E. Graham	Do	3½	280	3 & 4	1,000 00	-	280	-	
Nov. 9 -	John Clark & Abraham Bowman.	Do	3	360	3	1,080 00	359½	-	1,078 85	Account settled; see voucher No. 3, 2d quarter, 1841.
Nov. 20 -	William Pelham	Do	4	360	3	1,080 00	244½	120	732 85	Account settled; see voucher No. 3, 1st quarter, 1841.
Nov. 24 -	John H. Drake	Do	3½	300	3	900 00	237½	60	711 98	Account settled; see voucher No. 5, 1st quarter, 1841.
Dec. 19 -	Isaac Murphy	Do	4	241	3	723 00	237½	-	713 32	Account settled; see voucher No. 1, 2d quarter, 1841.
Dec. 29 -	Allen Martin	Do	4	360	3	1,080 00	341½	-	1,025 44	Account settled; see voucher No. 6, 1st quarter, 1841.
Dec. 31 -	Horace B. Allis & Israel M. Moore.	Do	4	680	3 & 4	2,240 00	248½	432	752 29	Account settled; see voucher No. 2, 1st quarter, 1841.
1841.										
March 17 -	Horace B. Allis	Do	4	333	3	1,000 00	301½	-	903 61	Account settled; see voucher No. 1, 2d quarter, 1841.
April 12 -	Charles E. Moore	Do	2	60	4	240 00	59½	-	239 38	Account settled; see voucher No. 4, 2d quarter, 1841.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, LITTLE ROCK, September 30, 1841.

WM. PELHAM, Surveyor Public Lands.

E.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,
Little Rock, December 3, 1841.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following estimates of the expenses of this office for the year 1842, viz:

For surveying the public lands	-	-	-	-	\$10,000
Salary of surveyor general	-	-	-	-	2,000
Salary of regular clerks	-	-	-	-	2,600
Compensation of two extra draughtsmen	-	-	-	-	2,000
Compensation to one clerk for recording the field notes of survey for use and preservation at this office	-	-	-	-	1,000
House rent and fuel	-	-	-	-	350
Postage and tin cases	-	-	-	-	150
Stationery, bookbinding, and printing	-	-	-	-	250
Office furniture	-	-	-	-	140
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					\$18,490
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I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM PELHAM,
Surveyor Public Lands.

To the REGISTER OF THE TREASURY
of the United States, Washington, D. C.

F.

DR. *The United States in account current with William Pelham, Surveyor General in the district of Arkansas.* CR.

Date.		Amount.	Amount.	Date.		Amount.
1841	To this amount paid for surveying out of the general appropriation from the 1st to the 30th June, (inclusive,) being a part of the second quarter of 1841 - - -	\$4,217 83		Sept. 27	By Treasury draft No. 6,010, on receiver of public moneys at Little Rock, Arkansas - - -	\$446 72
1841	To this amount paid for surveying out of the general appropriation during the third quarter of 1841 - - -	3,037 18			Balance due me this day - - -	9,043 65½
			\$7,255 01			
1841	To expenses of the office from the 1st to the 30th June, (inclusive,) being a part of the second quarter of 1841 -	32 85				
1841	To expenses of the office during the third quarter of 1841	63 06½				
			95 91½			
1841	To salaries from the 1st to the 30th June, (inclusive,) being a part of the second quarter of 1841 - - -	611 56				
1841	To salaries during the third quarter of 1841 - - -	1,527 89				
			2,139 45			
			\$9,490 37½			\$9,490 37½

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, LITTLE ROCK, *September 30, 1841.*

WILLIAM PELHAM, *Surveyor Public Lands.*

GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

NOTE.—Requisition in his favor for a remittance of \$8,000, made on the 19th October, 1841.

TABLE I.—Townships which it is proposed to subdivide for market during the year 1842.

North and west: Townships 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, and 12, range 1; townships 3, 4, and 9, range 2; township 9, range 12; townships 8 and 9, range 13; townships 8, 9, 14, and 15, range 14; townships 13, 14, and 15, range 15; townships 2, 16, and 17, range 16; townships 1, 2, 3, 13, 16, 17, and 18, range 17; townships 1, 4, 5, and 14, range 18; township 4, ranges 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24; townships 16, 17, 18, and 19, range 25; townships 5 and 12, range 26; township 12, range 27; townships 6, 7, 11, 14, 18, 19, 20, and 21, range 28; townships 5, 6, 7, 14, and 19, range 29; townships 11 and 12, range 31.

South and west: Townships 18 and 19, ranges 4 and 5; township 19, ranges 6 and 7; townships 17, 18, and 19, range 8; townships 18 and 19, range 9; townships 5 and 6, range 23; township 7, range 24; townships 5, 6, and 7, and the portions west of Red river of 17 and 18, range 25; townships 5, 6, 16, and 17, and the portions west of Red river of 18 and 19, range 26; townships 5, 6, 16, 17, 18, and 19, range 27; townships 6, 16, 17, 18, and 19, range 28.

TABLE II.—Townships of which it is proposed to survey the exterior lines during the year 1842.

North and west: Townships 3 and 4, range 3; township 3, ranges 4 and 5; townships 2 and 3, ranges 19 and 20; townships 1, 2, 3, and 4, ranges 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32.

South and west: Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, ranges 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32.